

ALESCO, UNICEF to cooperate

By Devades Kini
Arab News Staff

RIYADH, May 13 — Dr. Mohi El Din Saber, director general of Arab League Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ALESCO) met with Prince Talal ibn Abdul Aziz, special envoy of UNICEF and President of AGFUND, to coordinate educational activities of the three organizations in Arab countries.

He had "very fruitful" talks and discussions with Prince Talal and he has invited the Prince to Tunis, he said.

Talking to *Arab News*, Saber said ALESCO, founded in 1970, has many branches in Arab countries and has done pioneering work for spreading literacy and imparting adult education. For example, he said, there are two organizations in Baghdad — Organization for Literacy and Adult Education and Arab Institute for Research Studies. Similarly, Kuwait has two institutions for developing Arab skills — Institute for Arab Management and Arab Center for Teaching of Education. ALESCO has many other similar institutions in Mauritania, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen.

Saber said that his institution has developed an Arab strategy for tackling illiteracy in the Arab world which looks at the problem not as an individual phenomenon but as a social one. The backwardness of the society as a whole has to be tackled to eradicate illiteracy, he said.

The problem of education and the eradication of illiteracy is a gigantic task and his organization seeks assistance from all sources, he said. According to him there is already informal relations with UNICEF and AGFUND and now he wants to institutionalize this relationship.



(Photo by Muhammad Ibrahim)

PARADE: Boy scouts dressed in various military costumes paraded Wednesday night before Makkah Governor Prince Majed in a ceremony which marked the end of traffic week. "The week has achieved great success at the national level," Prince Majed said.

French food festival to be organized

By Habib Rahaman
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, May 13 — Mayor Muhammad Saied Farsi will open a 12-day French food festival on May 17 at the Nova Park hotel, which will organize the event in cooperation with Saudi, Gazzaz and Etienne Aigner, a firm which deals in French goods.

Uwe Sparke, executive assistant manager of the hotel, told *Arab News* that Saudi will fly food and staff specially for the festival from the Nova Park Elysee in Paris, said to be the most expensive hotel in the world.

Rene Hatt, president of Nova Park hotels, will attend the festival which is expected to evoke considerable interest from French-food lovers. This is the third food festival to be organized by the hotel this year. Earlier, it held Kenyan and Turkish food festivals. Sparke said both festivals were runaway successes.

Situated in the heart of Paris, the Nova Park Elysee has 73 rooms and suites. It also has 26 super suites, 15 duplex apartments

and eight presidential or royal class suites. The rate ranges from \$500 to \$6,000 a night — plus the 17.6 percent value added tax, making it the most expensive hotel. A 12-room royal suite with three panoramic terraces will soon be ready for occupation for \$7,000 per night.

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RIYADH, (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd had donated \$1.5 million for the expansion and rebuilding of a mosque in Houston, Texas, *Al-Madina* reported Thursday. It said that more than 1,000 Muslims attend daily prayers at the city's mosque.

RIYADH, (SPA) — Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani left here Wednesday for Frankfurt on a visit to West Germany. During his stay in Frankfurt, Yamani will attend the opening of an Arab and Islamic studies institute. He also will participate in the institute's secretarial council meetings.

SANA, (SPA) — North Yemeni Foreign Minister Ali Lutf Al-Thor received Thursday Saudi Arabian Charge d'Affaires here Mahmoud Bidewi. They discussed cooperation between the two countries.

RIYADH, — A revised edition of the *Banking and Investment in Saudi Arabia* directory has recently been completed by Tihama, a leading national communications company. The new edition includes a whole section about chartered accountants in Saudi Arabia, a list of names and addresses. The directory contains comprehensive information about local laws governing the finance and investment sectors. It includes the charter of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAM), the banking control law, the money exchange regulations, the foreign investment law and the statute of the Saudi Industrial Development Fund.

SEOUL, (SPA) — South Korean Prime Minister Yoo Chang Soon conferred Thursday

Projects to be discussed

Faisal foundation to meet

JEDDAH, May 13 — Prince Abdullah Al-Faisal, the elder son of the late King Faisal, will chair Friday the 20th session of the board of trustees of King Faisal Welfare Foundation.

The meeting will be attended by Prince Muhammad Al-Faisal; Prince Khaled Al-Faisal; Prince Abdur Rahman Al-Faisal; Prince Saad Al-Faisal; Prince Bandar Al-Faisal and Prince Turki Al-Faisal.

High on the agenda are budget estimates for financial year 1983 and a number of projects under implementation, *Okaz* reported Thursday. Expenditure under the budget exceeds SR24 million, while SR91 million are allocated for investments and SR2 million for scholarships. The surplus comes up to SR66 million. Prince Khaled Al-Faisal, the

foundation's director general, will hold a press conference after the meeting.

Meanwhile, Prince Muhammad Al-Faisal Thursday, in his capacity as president of the Federation of Islamic Banks, opened the second international conference on the development of the Arabian Peninsula organized by several international firms at Duke University of North Carolina. Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani is the conference's honorary chairman. The one-day conference is financed by the companies with the framework of an academic program aimed at studying Islamic and Arab development.

The conference centers on the Saudi economy and technological prospects.

SR130m set for agricultural loans

OATIF, May 13 (SPA) — The Agriculture Bank's branch in the Eastern Province will give nearly SR130 million in loans during the current fiscal year, it was announced here.

Abdul Aziz Al-Uwaifer, bank's acting manager in Hofuf, stated that a sum of SR80 million has been allocated for subsidies to be given for fodder, agricultural implements and poultry equipment in the same year.

Meanwhile, the total area treated by the local office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Water during the first half of the current year of lunar calendar was recorded at 6,790 dönüm of agricultural lands. It also treated 426 plants of various types, 238,000 head of

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cattle and 4.9 million birds. During the same period, 81 poultry farms were created with 1.2 million chickens. The total production turned out to be 2.5 million chickens and 65.7 million eggs.

Besides, three other poultry farms were opened at a cost of SR7.4 million with a production capacity of 9.4 million eggs, and five other similar farms at a cost of SR15.3 million, to produce 2,060,000 chickens.

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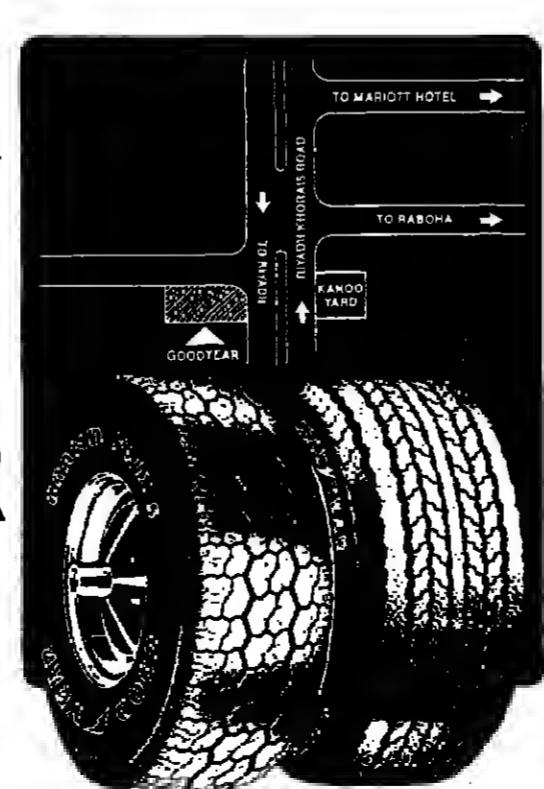
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Administration institute courses begin in August

DAMMAM, May 13 (SPA) — New training courses will start at the Institute of Public Administration here in late August, according to Ahmad Al-Mansour, director of the institute's local branch.

He said Wednesday that the institute has already informed all government departments in the province that the last date for accepting nomination papers is June 23. The courses will run from four to 13 weeks and will include advanced management, accountancy, personnel affairs, warehousing management, administrative contacts, typewriting, filing, secretarial work and official correspondence.

Mansour added that, during the past two years, the institute's department of training programs has carried out extensive studies on the reorganization of programs, laying stress on practical methods in preparing the syllabus. The administration is now engaged in preparing kits for trainees needed during the period of training, he said. The institute also has prepared programs for administrative studies and computer system, which will begin in the latter half of October this year.

Mansour said there also is a similar program for the holders of intermediate school certificates.

Seeking to mend fences**U.S. may offer Israel strategic pact renewal**

WASHINGTON, May 13 (Agencies) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan's administration, seeking to mend fences with Israel, may offer to renew the strategic cooperation agreement that was suspended after Israel annexed the Golan Heights, U.S. officials say.

Other gestures on the agenda for Defense Minister Ariel Sharon's talks here May 25 include quick delivery of more than \$200 million in U.S. economic aid to Israel, said the officials and other sources who refused to be identified. Moreover, Sharon may get a green light for Israel to spend about \$200 million in U.S. aid on Israeli-made defense equipment, even though military assistance traditionally is used to buy arms and other equipment from American defense contractors.

The strategic agreement, signed by the two countries on Nov. 30, 1981, was suspended by the United States in retaliation for Israel's decision to extend its law to the Golan Heights, occupied from Syria in the 1967 six-day war.

The agreement, designed to deal with any

threats to the Middle East by the Soviet Union, provided for stockpiling of U.S. medical supplies in Israel and some joint military maneuvers. Sharon, a leading Israeli hawk, will also meet with Haig and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger during the visit.

Meanwhile, the U.S. House of Representatives adopted overwhelmingly Wednesday a resolution urging that the United States withhold funding for the United Nations if Israel is barred from participating in the U.N. General Assembly or specialized agencies. The measure, passed by a vote of 401 to 3, had been introduced by Representative Benjamin S. Rosenthal, New York Democrat, after the General Assembly in February adopted language strongly censuring Israel.

The house resolution called on the administration of President Ronald Reagan to suspend U.S. participation and withhold funding for the United Nations "if Israel is illegally expelled, suspended, denied its credentials, or in any other manner denied its right to participate" in the General Assembly or U.N. specialized agencies.

1 killed as militias clash in Sidon

BEIRUT, May 13 (AP) — Gunbattles flared in the streets of Lebanon's southern port city of Sidon between Palestine Liberation Organization commandos and nationalist Lebanese militia Thursday and police said one man was killed and two were wounded.

A police spokesman said the daybreak flare-up was touched off by a shootout involving a PLO patrol at a highway checkpoint set up by Sidon's Nasserite militiamen at the entrance to the city, the provincial capital of south Lebanon. Both sides used machine guns, rocket-propelled grenades and mortars in the two-hour clash that was "contained" by the groups' leaderships. But schools and bussiness were closed for the rest of the day because of fears the fighting would resume, said the spokesman. He refused to be named in conformity with government policy.

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U.N. calls talks to aid Chad force

NAIROBI, May 13 (AP) — An international conference organized by the United Nations to solicit aid for a peacekeeping force in war-torn Chad will be held in Nairobi June 15-16, the local U.N. office said Thursday.

The conference is called by U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in cooperation with the Organization of African Unity and the Chad government and at the request of the U.N. General Assembly, the office said.

A U.N. spokesman here said the meeting is being held in Nairobi because Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi is the current chairman of the 41-nation OAU. Sixty countries and representatives of 40 international agencies and financial institutions are being invited to the conference, the U.N. office said.

The OAU last December dispatched a peacekeeping force to Chad, wracked by years of civil war. The OAU has estimated that about \$35 million will be needed to pay for the first three months of operations by the 3,265-man force. The U.N. Security Council, acting without a vote, adopted a resolution in New York April 30 asking the secretary-General to set up a fund for the peacekeeping force which the United Nations would manage jointly with the OAU.

The stated purpose of the OAU force is — while keeping out of Chad's civil war — to help a transitional government keep the peace and form a united, integrated national force.

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AMMAN (R) — At least seven persons died and 12 were injured by freak rain and hailstorms in Amman Wednesday, civil defense officials said Thursday. Hundreds of cars were stranded in water and about 90 vehicles were swept away and wrecked, they said.

LONDON (R) — Seven persons have been executed and eight sentenced to long prison terms in the southern Iranian city of Isfahan for their part in the assassination of Ayatollah Dastgheib, a leading Iranian clergymen in December, Shiraz radio reported.

TEL AVIV (AP) — Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo arrived in Israel Wednesday for an official visit and urged Middle Eastern nations to "persevere along the road to peace."

CAIRO (AP) — The authoritative newspaper *Al-Ahram* started a fund-raising campaign Thursday to help rebuild the former Jewish settlement of Yamin, which Israel destroyed before withdrawing from Sinai.

KHARTOUM (AFP) — Security forces have arrested three persons who were smuggling explosives, ammunitions and a rifle into Sudan, the Sudan News Agency (SUNA) reported.

King Hassan to confer with Reagan May 19

WASHINGTON, May 13 (R) — King Hassan of Morocco will confer with President Reagan May 19 during an official visit to Washington, the White House has announced. It said the king would arrive in Washington May 18 and leave on May 21 for visits to New York and Chicago.

The two leaders will hold discussions on bilateral relations and international issues. In addition, the president will host a luncheon in the King's honor. Hassan also will meet with Secretary of State Alexander Haig, the cabinet officers and congressional leaders. The meeting between Reagan and King Hassan was arranged after Haig announced during a trip to Morocco in February that the United States and Morocco would negotiate the availability of Moroccan military transit facilities to U.S. forces in an emergency.

He said then the two countries would establish a joint military commission which would consult periodically. He also said that the U.S. which once had four air bases in Morocco.

Zia rules out elections in near future

ISLAMABAD, May 13 (AFP) — Pakistani President Muhammad Zia Ul-Haq has ruled out elections in the foreseeable future and asked the press not to question this repeatedly.

"This chapter should be considered closed for the time being and no comments on this subject need to appear" in the press, he told newsmen after inaugurating a two-day convention of municipal councillors here.

Dacca tribunal jails ex-official for vice racket

DACCA, May 13 (AFP) — A former deputy director of Bangladesh National Security Intelligence (NSI) has been convicted by a martial law court for running a vice racket in different parts of Dacca for the past 10 years, it was reported here Wednesday.

The report coincided with news of a reshuffle in the top administration of NSI by the new military government of Gen. Ershad. Among other changes, Director General S. A. Halim, who headed the agency at the time of the March 24 army takeover, has been retired under a martial law order.

The convicted deputy director, Abdul Samad Talukder, 33, sentenced to seven years of imprisonment and a fine of \$50,000 or a further 21 months in prison. The martial law court, which examined 13 prosecution witnesses including police officers and several "victims," found Talukder guilty.

U.S., Egypt discuss autonomy

CAIRO, May 13 (R) — United States and Egypt began low-level talks on Palestinian autonomy Thursday in what was seen as an effort to sidestep a deadlock holding up resumption of full-scale negotiations.

American technical experts headed by U.S. special envoy Richard Fairbanks met an Egyptian team to discuss what powers should be accorded to a proposed self-governing authority for Palestinians of the occupied West Bank and Gaza. Egyptian Foreign Ministry officials said these talks were the start of so-called proximity negotiations between Egypt and Israel, negotiations in which the U.S. delegate shuttles between one side and the other.

Syria opposes Egypt's return to Arab fold

DAMASCUS, May 13 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Al-Assad will seek to counter moves by some Arab states to improve relations with Egypt during his forthcoming visit to Libya and Algeria, Syrian officials said Thursday. An official source said Wednesday night the president would start the visit within the next two days.

The officials gave no details of how Syria hoped to block the present trend toward a reconciliation between Egypt and Arab countries led by Jordan and Morocco. But the Syrian government newspaper *Tishrin* said Assad would discuss convening a meeting of the Steelclaw and Confrontation Front opposed to Israel's peace treaty with Israel. The front groups Syria, Libya and Algeria together with South Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

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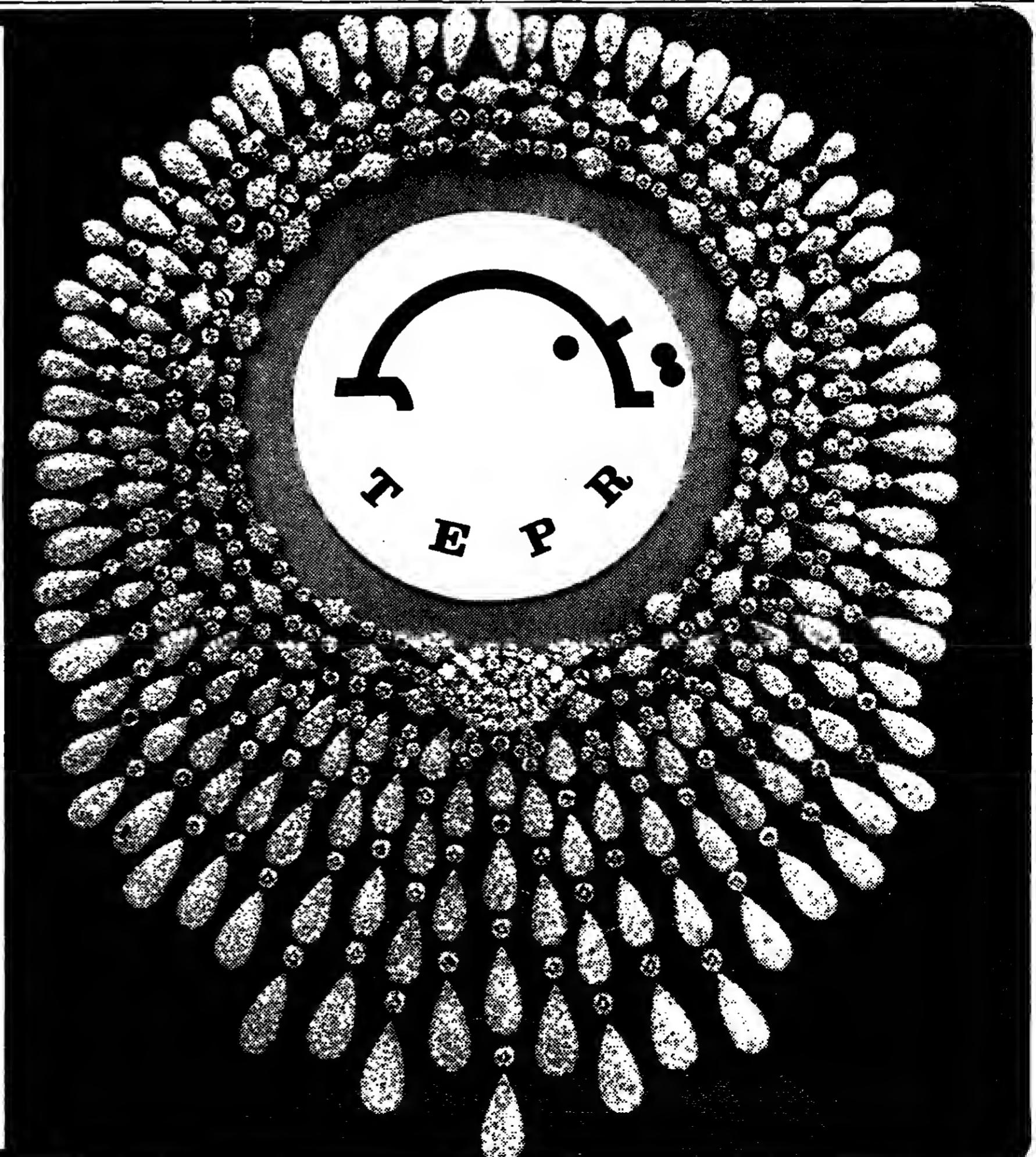
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By Cynthia Shanley
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, May 13 — Picture a twenty-five-year-old man, about 6'6", 228 pounds, soft-spoken and neatly dressed in a fashionable suit and tie. Sound like a heavyweight boxer? Not at all, really, but this man, Gerry Cooney, will come face to face with World Boxing Council (WBC) Heavyweight Champion Larry Holmes June 11 at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas.

The fight, which is expected to attract gate receipts of over \$8 million, may very well be the fight of the year. Holmes and Cooney will each earn \$10 million. Both have been touring major cities in the United States to promote the fight.



ON THE DAIS: Gerry Cooney, the 12th challenger to Holmes' crown during one of his promotional tours.

Rice slugs Red Sox past Twins

NEW YORK, May 13 (AP) — Jim Rice drove in three runs with a pair of homers and Dennis Eckersley struck out three batters in eight innings Wednesday night as the Boston Red Sox beat the Minnesota Twins 4-1.

Eckersley, 4-2, was scored on when Kent Hrbek homered in the fourth inning and extended his hitting streak to 22, five short of the major league record for a rookie.

The Red Sox broke a 1-1 tie against Twins reliever Ron Davis, 1-2, who came on for Al Williams with one out in the seventh. Carey Lansford singled with one out, stole second and moved to third on Dave Stapleton's fly ball. Hoffman singled to drive in Lansford.

The Red Sox added a pair of insurance runs with two out in the ninth when Dwight Evans singled and Rice homered — his fifth of the night.

In other American League action, Greg Luzinski and Bill drove in three runs apiece to back the six-hit pitching of Dennis Lamp as the Chicago White Sox pounded the Toronto Blue Jays 9-2.

Dan Meyer and Cliff Johnson smacked two-run singles in the eighth inning to give the Oakland A's a come-from-behind 5-4 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

Hal McRae and Greg Pryor drove in three runs apiece offsetting three solo home runs by Milwaukee's Paul Molitor and leading the Kansas City Royals to a 9-7 victory over the Brewers and a sweep of their three-game series. Rain postponed the Detroit-Texas contest. In the National League Lasky combined with two relievers on an eight-hitter and the San Francisco Giants capitalized on three Montreal errors for a pair of unearned runs in the third inning to defeat the Expos 3-2.

Ken Smith cracked a pinch single scoring Larry Whisenant and Dale Murphy drove in three runs, two of them on a ninth inning homer, lifting the Atlanta Braves to a 6-3 victory over the Chicago Cubs. Rain washed out the San Diego-New York game.

In a late-ending National League game interrupted by rain, Ron Reed pitched seven strong innings and batted in two runs as the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 11-3 for their ninth victory in 10 games.

In late west coast action in the AL, Dave Collins keyed a four-run New York rally in the fourth inning with a two-run single as the Yankees edged the California Angels 6-5. Joe Charboneau collected three hits and drove in three runs, powering the Cleveland Indians past the Seattle Mariners 8-5.

76ers even series

BOSTON, May 13 (AP) — Andrew Toney scored 30 points and Caldwell Jones scored 10 of his season-high 22 in the fourth quarter as the Philadelphia 76ers evened the National Basketball Association semifinal playoff series at a game apiece with a 121-113 victory over the Boston Celtics Wednesday night.

Moyers rammed a low shot past San Diego goalkeeper Volkmar Gross of West Germany at 40:53 to give the Cosmos a 1-0 lead.

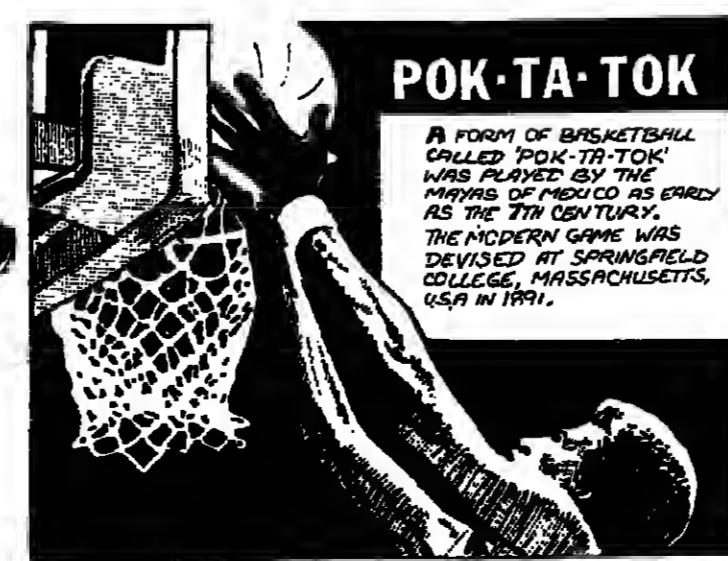
Chinaglia, his team's leading scorer, connected on a penalty kick with just 10 seconds

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Cooney spars to drive the punch home

As challenger's left gets set to answer the June 11 gong

suspicion and speculation from Holmes, who has been questioning Cooney's courage.

Cooney's reply is simply: "If I was afraid of Holmes I'd never have signed to fight him. What would be the purpose? If there's anything you could think of that you ever want in life, this is what I want. I want this fight. I want to win this fight. And it's not for the money. If it was for the money I would not have told anyone I was hurt in March... I faced all the criticism and at the risk of losing the fight had it postponed to get my shoulder better. I have a real tough fight coming June 11. I'm real happy that the fight was rescheduled. I feel confident. My shoulder feels like a million bucks."

The shoulder Cooney indirectly injured was his left, which is the side from which he has unloaded his heaviest shots in a career that includes 22 knockouts and a 25-0 record. According to a doctor who examined Cooney, the injury was all in the back, but had to do with the muscles that comprise the shoulder girdle. What that meant was that when Cooney used his shoulder, he felt pain in his back.

Criticism against Cooney began flowing in when word of the canceled bout was released. That criticism and a lot of heat from Holmes is something Cooney says he just generally ignores. "That's something that I kind of put aside. It doesn't bother me anymore."

Many of Cooney's critics are wondering whether or not he can take a punch and if he can go the distance. The power of his left hook, while reducing his rivals to helplessness, has left Cooney short on experience. He has spent a total of 15 minutes, 43 seconds in the ring since 1979. And since Oct. 24, 1980, when he knocked out Ron Lyle in 2:49 of the very first round, he has toiled exactly 54 seconds — all the time he needed to deck Ken Norton on May 11, 1981. In 25 fights, Cooney has fought only 64 complete rounds and parts of 22 others.

"They ask if I can take a punch and if I can go the distance," Cooney says. "Well, when I finish boxing and my career is over, if they still ask those questions, then I'll have done what I wanted to do. "Boxing is the art of self-defense, it's not to take a punch. I had Norton in a corner, what was I supposed to do, lighten up and let him come out so I could go the distance and show the people, the press, that I can go the distance? That's ridiculous! I'm happy. And if I had to do it all over again, I'd do it the same way."

"I'm very fortunate to meet Mr. Victor Valle (his trainer) five years ago, who taught me to be an all-around fighter. I'm really lucky. He's the best trainer in the world. I train to go the distance. It's something you work on, work on and work on to build up your stamina." Larry Holmes once said that if it goes past seven rounds then

"you better crawl out of the ring." The only thing I can say is that... I'm not crawling anywhere."

In answer to one reporter's question about how he feels about Holmes, Cooney replied. "I think he's a champion, he's undefeated. I don't like him much. I guess he doesn't like me very much either. I think he's a kind guy... the kind of guy I can do without. What I like about him is nothing. I don't get along. We can't ever be friends, never say 'hi' and shake hands. I'm a man and I don't feel that he's acting like a man."



IN THE RING: Gerry Cooney (left) and sparring partner Dwain Boods during a work out for the June 11 bout.

He added one last comment to that, saying, "I've had 25 fights and I've won them all. I don't have to answer to anybody."

After completing his promotional tour, which includes stops in Los Angeles and Phoenix and perhaps a few other cities, Cooney will resume a full training schedule in Palm Springs — a location chosen because it has a climate similar to Las Vegas and it's out of the way.

Cooney may not think he has to answer to anybody's criticism, but he will be answering the bell June 11 against Holmes who is determined to hold on to his title. "I love boxing. I just want to fight," Cooney says. "All the talking doesn't mean anything. The only thing that matters is when the bell rings on June 11." No one can dispute that.

Brearley, Boycott among runs

LONDON, May 13 (R) — Geoff Boycott completed his 128th first class century Wednesday — and emphasized how much the England Test side will miss his services for the next three years.

Boycott, among the 15 England players banned from Tests for three years for playing in South Africa earlier this year, dominated Yorkshire's first innings score of 380 for seven declared in the County Championship clash against Glamorgan. Opener Boycott followed up his 138 made against Northamptonshire last week with 134 in 289 minutes. His efforts contained 16 fours.

Boycott featured in second and third wicket stands of 135 and 96 with Bill Athey, who contributed 87, and Jim Love, who made 65. Off-spinner John Embretson, also suspended for playing in South Africa, completed his maiden first class century as Middlesex piled up 379 for five declared against Northamptonshire. He batted 152 minutes and hit one six. Embretson's effort was overshadowed by former England captain Mike Brearley. He charged to 165 in 280 minutes and tell only eight runs short of his previous highest score in England.

England all-rounder Ian Botham spared the blushes of his teammates by hammering a quickfire 63 for Somerset against Derbyshire at Derby. Botham's whirlwind knock helped Somerset from 76 to 143. All but five of his runs came from boundaries.

Somerset eventually made a respectable 219.

Graeme Clinton of Surrey was another batsman among the rons. Clinton made 102 for Surrey against Leicestershire while Nigel Taylor thumped 134 not out for Kent against Warwickshire.

Summaries:

At Leicester: Surrey 358 (Graeme Clinton 102, David Smith 89, Jack Richards 61), Leicestershire 30-1.

At Headington: Yorkshire 380-7 dec. (Geoff Boycott 134, Bill Athey 77, Jim Love 65), Glamorgan 5-1.

At Lord's: Middlesex 379-5 dec (Mike Brearley 165, John Embretson 100 not out), Northamptonshire 14 for no wicket.

At Dartford: Kent 300-7 dec (Nigel Taylor 134 not out, Asif Iqbal 55), Gloucestershire 75-4.

At Hove: Sussex 378 (Imran Khan 85, Ian Gould 74, Garth Le Roux 69, Gahan Mendis 54, John Lever 5-91), Essex 37-1.

At Derby: Somerset 219 (Ian Botham 63, Steve Oldham 6-63), Derbyshire 140-3, (Geoff Miller 60 not out).

At Bristol: Worcestershire 222 (Phil Neale 61, Dae Surridge 5-78), Gloucestershire 75-4.

Indians crawl to 172 for five

NOTTINGHAM, England, May 13 (AP) — Opener Pranab Ray took 235 minutes to complete his half century as the Indian cricket tourists established a first innings lead over Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge Thursday.

Resuming at 77 for two in reply to the injury-hit English County Champions' score of 141, Ray and Sandeep Patil opened briskly on the second morning of the three-day match.

Patil made 34 before being caught by

Bjorn Borg ... in troubled waters

Borg pulls out from Grand Prix tournaments

TORONTO, May 13 (R) — Bjorn Borg has withdrawn from Grand Prix tennis tournaments for the rest of the year, organizers said.

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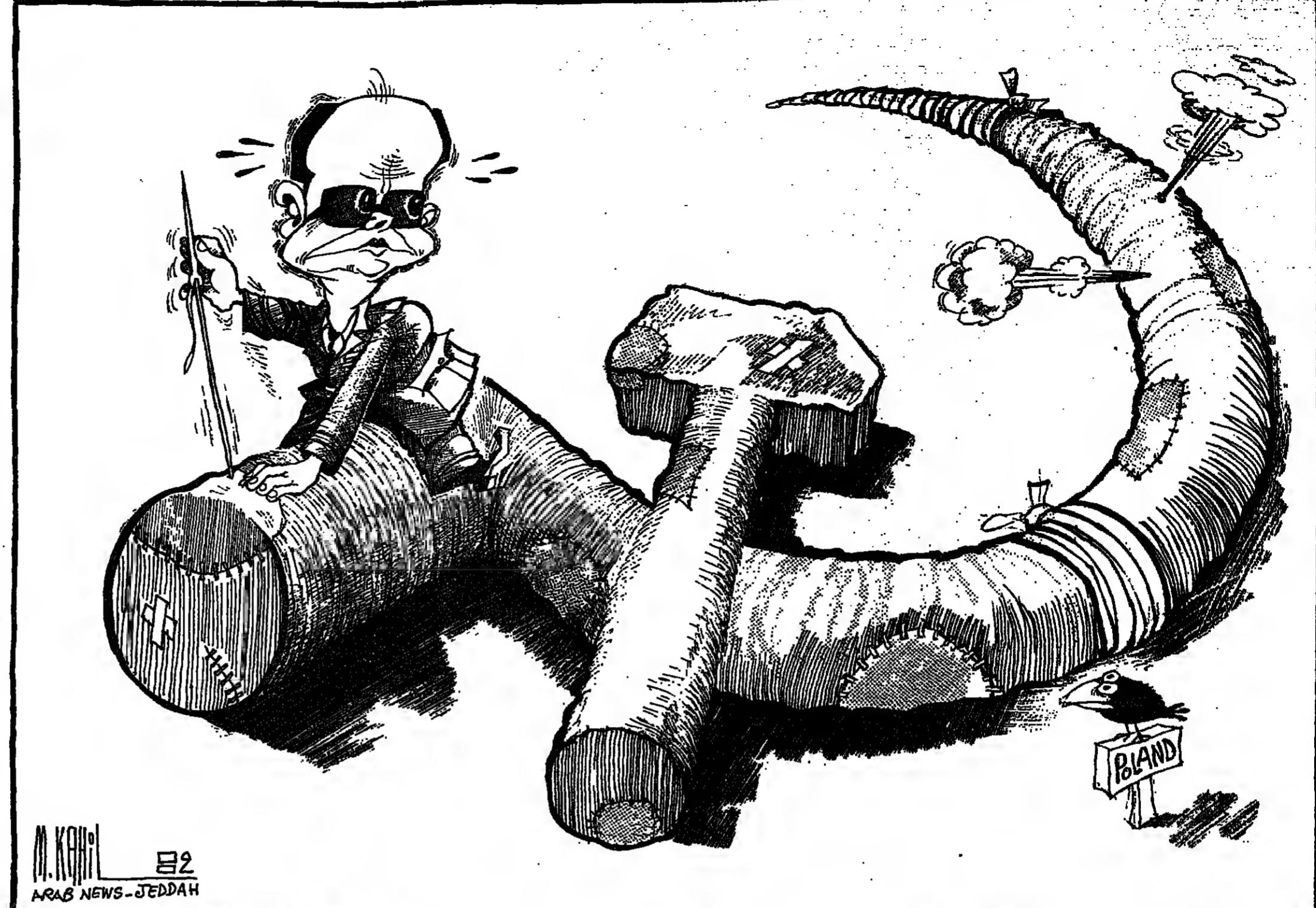
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Poland seems moving toward disaster

By Neal Ascherson

Poland is on fire again. It was not only the outside world and the shocked Soviet leaders but most ordinary Poles who were astonished by the outburst of mass protest in the streets which began on May 1.

Resistance had seemed to be a matter of clandestine cells, illegal bulletins and occasional broadcasts, but tens of thousands turned out with banners for their own May day march. Their success led inevitably to the demonstrations two days later, on May 3, when the police took the offensive and wild rioting tore through the streets of Warsaw, Gdansk, Szczecin and other towns up and down the land.

With hindsight, one can see that the flow of revolutionary lava which burst over Poland from Gdansk in August 1980 is still in motion. Nothing, neither Solidarity's vain search for democratic reform nor the military coup of Dec. 13 last year, has brought this flow to a halt. Its most striking feature is the way it devours moderation.

So it happened this time. The fresh outbursts took place just as many different forces in Poland — the underground Solidarity leaders, the Catholic Church and the government — were edging toward compromise for the first time since last December. The church, through its lay "social council," proposed in April that many civil liberties should be restored: Solidarity should emerge from suspension, but must resist the pressures of radicalism and political extremism which — in the church's view — blew it off course last year.

The government decided to relax martial law a little, hoping to soften public opinion at home but above all to persuade the West to lift the economic sanctions which are pressing Poland toward the abyss. As Gen. Jaruzelski put it, "One of the main motives which could tempt the West out of its boyc-

ott trenches would be a Polish return to political, social and economic stability."

At the end of April, the Solidarity resistance began at last to speak with one voice. Differences had separated the more impatient Bogdan Lis in Gdansk from the underground Solidarity leaders Zbigniew Bujak in Warsaw and Wladyslaw Frasyniuk in Wroclaw. Now they issued a joint statement, tough in form but for the first time conciliatory in some of its substance.

Although they called for a 15-minute strike in the factories on May 13, marking five months under martial law, they offered talks with the regime — dropping earlier demands that martial law must end and Solidarity be reinstated before such talks could be held.

The lava seemed to be cooling, even forming a crust on which some compromise between government and people might eventually be built. It was at precisely this moment that the next molten gush burst through the crust and threatened to swamp these very tentative approaches.

Probably the Jaruzelski regime did not intend to restore Solidarity; the general made it plain that he considered even the church social council's theses too radical. But he had released many political detainees, the curfew had been lifted and a debate of the Sejm (parliament) had been set for Monday, May 3, on the soothing theme of "national understanding."

One of the most endearing but often disastrous Polish traits is reluctance to tip trouble in the bud. In any other Warsaw Pact country, an opposition May Day rally would have been crushed with mass arrests. But when — totally unexpectedly — huge crowds gathered in and around the Old City in Warsaw, waving Solidarity banners and chanting the ancient hymns of freedom, the police merely

cordoned them off from the official procession.

The march rapidly evolved leaders, found a new self-confidence as it poured unopposed through streets where citizens leaned cheering from the windows, and arranged to meet again on Monday, May 3.

"The Third of May" has a special glory in Poland. It marks the day in 1791, only three years before the final extinction of Polish independence, when the Sejm passed the "Constitution of the Third of May," promising to transform Poland into a modern state on the principles of the American and French revolutions. Last year, the Polish government allowed the day once more to be celebrated as a national holiday.

So it was that May 3, 1982 turned into a haunting historical drama played out in the streets. This time, the authorities acted. Among the very palaces and squares which saw the events of 1791, the demonstrators fought the police. Around the statue of Jan Kiliński, the "shoemaker" who led the Warsaw rising of 1794 against the Russians, youths carried the Polish flag forward through barrels of gas grenades and flying bricks. Over in the Sejm, the national unity debate, timed to capture at least a gleam of that past splendor, was thoroughly upstaged.

The only gleams next day were broken glass, Jaruzelski's hopes of offering at least an appearance of a society returning to calm and order shattered. In vain, Mieczyslaw Rakowski told journalists that the search for "national accord" would continue, while police were still chasing demonstrators, past burning vehicles in the city center.

In vain, the television's uniformed commentators blamed the outbreak on "opponents of socialism" and the influence of "foreign subversion centers." The damage was done, and even the church was moved to condemn the violence and warn that it

"delayed social agreement."

May 3 was a black day for the church as well. The demonstrations in the Polish cities often broke out as crowds emerged from special gatherings held in the Third of May. The appeals of the episcopate for self-restraint were unheeded, and the church was left stranded between a population temporarily out of its control and a government suspicious of its efforts toward compromise.

Poland appears now to be moving toward disaster. If the May explosion is more than just an isolated flare-up, the chances of confrontation between the military government and the masses are growing rather than diminishing. Admittedly, the demonstrators were mostly very young, the most extreme section of the population, and their actions do not prove that the working class as a whole is ready to follow an underground Solidarity call to show open defiance.

Solidarity is slipping out of the grasp not only of the interned leaders but of the elected leaders in hiding — and into the grasp of unknown and very radical young men and women who have acquired authority in the underground.

In the approaching tragedy, the West can play hero or villain. May is the month — so the state planning commission tells us — when subsidies and compensations run out and Polish families face unsupported the food prices which have been raised by three or four times.

Western credit is denied, partly for "sound" banking reasons, partly as a sanction against a regime trapped between Soviet pressure and the fury of its own people and unable to make more than symbolic concessions.

The last act has been previewed often enough: insurrection, then civil war, then Soviet invasion. The Polish volcano is a hole in Europe which can spew violence and engulf the peace of a continent. If Western nations feel like rescuing rather than letting disaster take its course, their time is short. (ONS)

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, May 14th, the 134th day of 1982. There are 231 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1702 — Sweden's King Charles XI takes Warsaw.

1749 — Maria Theresa unites Austria and Bohemia under one chancellor.

1897 — By treaty with Ethiopia, Britain abandons certain claims in Somaliland, but Emperor Menelik refuses to surrender claims to lands near the Nile River.

1919 — Anglo-Belgian agreement assigns west shore of Lake Albert to Belgian Congo.

1921 — Fascists gain in Italian elections.

1941 — Vichy government endorses Admiral J.F. Darlan's agreement with Germany's Adolf Hitler.

1948 — British mandate in Palestine ends, and the Zionist state of Israel is formed.

1964 — Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev opens Aswan Dam in Egypt.

1969 — Malaysia's Prime Minister Abdul Rahman suspends constitution during racial strife.

1972 — First large U.S. Skylab space station is launched.

1977 — Soviet newspaper Pravda warns the West that any aid to China will eventually be used to start a world conflict.

1979 — The United States and China initial "breakthrough" trade agreement, opening way to expanded commerce and "most-favored-nation" treatment for China after 30-year chill.

1981 — Pope John Paul is shot and seriously wounded at St. Peter's Square in Rome, and a 23-year-old Turk, Mehmet Ali Agca, is arrested in assassination attempt.

Thought for today:

There is no education like adversity — Benjamin Disraeli, British statesman (1804-1881).

BEGIN'S DANGEROUS CARD

Reports from Israel indicate that Begin's government is tottering. The immediate issue is that of cabinet decision to ground El Al (the Israeli airline) planes on Saturday, and the severe reaction this engendered from those who think that the religious extremists and their representatives are being allowed to get away with too much.

Begin's parliamentary chances do not seem to be that strong, were a motion of no-confidence to be moved over the issue. But Begin's real problem is that he can offer the electorate nothing in the way of political and economic concessions, having presided over the ruin of the Israeli economy all these years. His only other card, which is that more promises to annex the West Bank and Gaza, has the disadvantage of alienating him from the United States, and consequently from those sections of the electorate which want closer understanding with Washington.

This leaves Begin with one wild and very dangerous card, that of diverting public attention from internal issues by military action against the Palestinians. The problem here is that the international repercussions from a land sweep across the Lebanese South are incalculable, especially as the United States has been publicly warning against such a move.

And that, grave in itself, is only the external danger as far as Begin is concerned. For an all-out war is certain to make Defense Minister Ariel Sharon the unquestionable master of the cabinet, with Begin merely a figurehead. Sharon could use the occasion for a palace coup inside the cabinet, emerging as Likud's uncontested leader.

This last consideration might impel Begin to choose the "lesser evil." If an external war is to be fought, then let it be one from which Sharon cannot gain a great deal. In other words, confine operations to aerial bombardment of the Palestinians in Lebanon as a means to quieten the political turmoil at home.

Saudi Arabian press review

Thursday's newspaper called on the Arab states to resume the adjourned 12th Arab summit meeting to realize Arab objectives and solidarity, resolve the Iraq-Iran war and deter Israeli aggression in the Middle East.

Al-Madina stressed the need for an Arab summit to study carefully the current Arab and international situation and suitable means to realize Arab solidarity.

In another editorial, Al-Madina welcomed the return of Egypt to the Arab fold. "When the Arabs rejected the Camp David accord, they did not want to deny Egypt a chance to recover its occupied land but had regarded the accord as harmful to the Arab cause," the paper said.

It asserted that Israel had failed to isolate Egypt from the Arab world, despite Egypt's success in getting back Sinai through peaceful means.

The paper hailed Egypt's reprinted official statements on Arab solidarity and called on Egyptian leaders to initiate a constructive dialogue with Arab leaders at such

Soviet exploitation of Falklands row alarms West

By Harvey Morris

LONDON —

Britain's closest allies are worried the Falklands crisis will weaken Western influence in the Third World and strengthen Soviet prestige. Soviet support for Argentina and rumors that Moscow is giving the military junta there practical assistance in the conflict have caused alarm not only in the United States but also among Britain's European partners.

As early as April 10, just a week after Argentina seized the South Atlantic islands, West German

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher accused Moscow of exploiting the crisis. "The Soviet Union is quite clearly trying to gain advantage for itself from this conflict, which fits into its overall political strategy aimed at turning Latin American instabilities to its own account," Genscher said in an interview.

The same fear is now clearly worrying officials in the U.S. administration, despite President Reagan's decision to back Britain in the dispute.

A central plank of Reagan administration foreign policy has been to combat what it regards as Soviet interference in the Western Hemisphere, partly by isolating Communist Cuba and leftist Nicaragua and partly by improving ties with military regimes such as Argentina. Officials fear the policy may be at risk now that Washington has sided with a European power against a fellow American state.

Vernon Walters, U.S. special envoy on Latin American affairs in the State Department, this week dubbed the Falklands crisis a silly war. He said he hoped a peaceful solution would avoid the necessity of Washington having to make a choice between a European ally and its Latin American partners, most of whom support Argentina's claim to the islands.

British officials appear not to share the U.S. concern about Soviet exploitation of the crisis and say the Kremlin's attempts to brand Britain a colonial aggressor have found little sympathy outside Latin America.

After weeks of Soviet press attacks on Britain, President Leonid Brezhnev last week made his first pronouncement on the crisis, accusing the British of "colonial brigandage."

British officials said this appeared not to be a view shared generally by the Third World. Britain had received general support from the Commonwealth as well as outspoken backing from individual states with a strong anti-colonialist tradition. Kenya, Zambia and Sierra Leone are among black African states that have given their support to the British case.

When Britain took the seizure of the islands to the United Nations Security Council on April 3, five Third World countries voted in favor of a British

sponsored resolution calling for a cessation of hostilities, the withdrawal of Argentine troops and a diplomatic solution. Outside Latin America, Third World criticism of Britain has centered on calls to avoid military force and seek a peaceful resolution of the dispute.

The coordinating bureau of the nonaligned nations renewed support for Argentina's Falklands claim on April 26 but said it wanted to see a durable solution within the framework of the U.N. resolution.

One of Britain's most outspoken critics has been China, which is pursuing its own campaign for leadership of the Third World and fears the spread of Soviet influence. A new China News Agency commentary said Britain's actions had enraged the Third World.

"The raging flames of war in the South Atlantic are detrimental to North-South cooperation. But the Soviet Union is seeking advantage from the crisis over the Malvinas (Falkland) Islands," the commentary said.

Britain appears little concerned that the dispute might lose its influence in the Third World. Officials say this is partly because British foreign policy interests center on Asia, Africa and the Middle East rather than Latin America, which accounts for only three percent of British trade.

They say they also doubt that the Soviet Union would want to become closely involved in such a distant dispute when its main priority is still to secure its own borders. The officials said the Soviet Union had even dropped hints in informal contacts that the ideological gap between Moscow and Buenos Aires was too wide to allow a closer relationship.

They nevertheless acknowledged U.S. concern at the possible loss of prestige in Latin America, particularly among those of President Reagan's entourage from California and the Southwest who have close ties with the region.

Although British officials maintain Britain's prestige has survived the crisis so far, political analysts believe the situation could change if many more lives were lost or if Britain launched raids against the Argentine mainland. (R)

Letter to the editor

Our dialogue

Custody of Children

Q. 1 What can a woman who is divorced claim of the property of her husband? Who is entitled to the custody of the children? What are the rights of the children?

A. 1 We have explained in earlier articles the full procedure of divorce. We mentioned that when the divorce takes place the woman starts her waiting period, or "iddah", which is roughly equivalent to three months, unless the woman is pregnant in which case her waiting period continues until she gives birth. During her waiting period the woman remains in her husband's home and she is entitled to her lodgings and to be maintained. She is, of course, entitled to receive the outstanding part of her dowry in full. When the waiting period is complete she leaves her husband's home and has no further claim on her former husband unless she is breast-feeding, in which case she is entitled to compensation.

A woman forfeits all claim to maintenance if she is being divorced for the third time, i.e. when she cannot be reunited in marriage with her husband without first contracting another marriage.

The mother has custody of the children when they are very young, until they reach the "age of distinction", that is, when they can distinguish between matters. Generally speaking, children reach this stage when they are seven. Afterwards, boys join their fathers while girls remain with their mothers. Some schools of thought, however, give the children the right to choose between their parents.

A divorced mother loses her right to the custody of her children if she marries again. Upon her marriage the right of their custody passes to her mother. If her mother is dead then custody of the children is assumed by her husband's mother. This shows very clearly that, according to Islam, women have a clear edge over men with regard to the custody of children.

Exorbitant Dowries

Q. 1 In Islam "mahr", or dowry, is not compulsory and it has no minimum or maximum limits. It all depends on the bride's wish. Why are Arabs making marriage a big problem by asking excessive dowries, sometimes

against the bride's own wish?

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A. 1 First of all, the payment of a dowry by the husband to his intended wife is compulsory. It is indeed one of the main conditions in the marriage contract. You are otherwise correct with regard to its lower or upper limit. Any sum agreed between the two parties is acceptable.

The Prophet has, indeed, recommended Muslims everywhere to ask moderate dowries. He said: "The best of women are those who have pretty faces and low dowries." This indicates that beauty should not be treated as a commodity for sale. It is unfortunate that many people do not heed his recommendation. There are, however, quite a few who appreciate the wisdom behind it and act upon it. Such wise people look for good husbands for their daughters and do not overburden them with exorbitant dowries.

Accidental Killing

Q. What is the punishment of someone who kills another by accident, such as happens in a road accident?

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A. The punishment for killing a Muslim by accident is laid down in the Qur'an. The relative verse may be reworded in translation as follows: "He who accidentally kills a believer must free one Muslim slave and pay an indemnity to the victim's family, unless they forgive it by way of charity...He who does not have the means shall fast, instead, for two consecutive months." (4: 92)

As slavery no longer exists, the person who kills another accidentally is simply asked to pay indemnity to the victim's family. Its amount is decided by the court, which is also the authority with the jurisdiction to decide that a certain person cannot afford payment and may fast instead.

Exploring is fun

Families enjoy picnics, drive to the escarpment

By David Barnes

JEDDAH — There's an old Swahili proverb, "He who wants all will miss all," and in Jeddah, it may be more relevant to alter this to "He who wants to see all will miss all." In Jeddah, week-enders tend to bite off more than they can chew travel-wise. There are a wealth of places to visit around Jeddah and all within a relatively short drive from home. Even that well-worn trek, "the day trip to Taif" can be overstimulating (this historic city and its environs hold enough fascination for a great number of weekend visits — let alone a few hours after a long hard drive from Jeddah).

A round-trip to the Taif escarpment makes an ideal day out for the family and will certainly appeal to those in the habit of making detours and exploring while en route. This journey involves passing through some of the most varied scenery to be encountered anywhere in the Kingdom and with just two hours behind the wheel (continuous driving) for each leg, the driver is in the happy position of being able to ease off the gas, sit back, relax and see some of the sights for himself.

The first part of the trip involved driving east along the Makkah-Madinah Highway. This superb new expressway allows effortless high cruising speeds and after the 1984 high-rise complex is behind, to the right is the first area of interest, not-so-ancient lava field. This black, sintered landscape is all but devoid of vegetation with that existing dark and stunted. There is a stillburn aura about the place, the lava looks as fresh as if it had yesterday spilled molten out of the ground. In the early morning light the rocks take on a fiery glow.

The expressway here follows the ancient Jeddah to Makkah caravan route and reminds you of the camel drivers and the arduous nature of their work. Imagine the hardships involved in driving a fully laden camel train across this inferno in the height of summer, the black rocks hot long after the sun has set. Spare a thought too for the cuts and burns sustained by the camels their feet designed for moving across soft sand not razor sharp igneous rock.

Progress is rapid for the next 20 minutes or so. Then non-Muslim traffic is reminded to leave the main highway as non-Muslims are not allowed into the holy city of Makkah. The turn-off curves away to the right just before the car check point and the journey is continued along a two lane highway commonly referred to as the Christian by-pass, a pleasure route.

On leaving the Makkah highway, the first landmark of note on the right is a mound of rounded granite boulders, piled high, like a heap of giant cannon balls. British travelers are instantly reminded of Dartmoor's granite tors, and it is certainly incongruous to see such formations set among sand and desert weeds rather than a peat moor surrounded by heather.

It is worth stopping here a few moments, if only to admire the hoopoe lark's spiralling nuptial flight or watch the desert wheatears and blackstarts flitting across the rocks. The energetic may like to scramble up the outcrop country they are entering.

After the rains, the desert here sprouts grasses, albeit a sparse growth when compared to an English meadow. Yet it is sufficient to graze the hardy local strains of sheep and goats, the camel preferring to chew on the shrubs and acacias. In spring the desert plants take hold, with the succulent varieties firm and bursting with sap and flowers. But it is a wild hot place in summer. In the distance stark ridges and outcrops jumble against the skyline. The wind often whips sand dunes across the road.

This is not the place to go wandering off

without proper equipment. Some Americans did that just a few years ago. Their vehicle broke down. It took a rescue helicopter days to find them. All three had abandoned their vehicle and perished. The quality of driving along this route is good, as the heavy trucks are unable to make the gradient up the escarpment and have to make a lengthy detour. The road gently unfolds across the desert plain, skirting rocky promontories here and there. On the billboards are the shepherds with their flocks of sheep and goats. On closer inspection those shepherds are often turn shepherdesses in traditional costume.

Tucked into the distant *jabels* (hills) are the Bedouin camps. The low goatskin tents that have served these people for centuries are gradually being replaced by canvas and the ever increasing dependence on the pick-up truck is a further compromise to the twentieth century.

Looking around at this arid area, it soon becomes obvious that the desert cannot possibly support such large sheep and goat herds, flocks of over 300 are out uncommon. The herders maintain these high numbers by setting up "corals" along the route and trucking in extra fodder. The Bedouin will often allow the amateur photographer to take pictures of the animals and even the men. The pied sheep are unusual with floppy ears, raking legs and tightly curled wool. What strange creatures camels are when viewed for the first time at close quarters, splayed soles to their feet, snake-like neck and a haughty expression.

Animals frequently stray across the main road. When approaching camels on the route it is safer done at slow speeds and even so many animals are hit.

Soon "Queen Victoria" looms up ahead, a huge granite pillar, weathered, some say, into the likeness of that once formidable lady. Perhaps one needs to be Anglo Saxon to see this — or even possess a vivid imagination, but the resemblance is there.

One of the beauties of the Christian by-pass is that it is yet to be exploited commercially. Factories however, are just starting to sprout and just as the car passes the first large complex and chicken farm on the right, glance up at the solitary, walled-in homestead, clinging to a rock face half way up a bare hill. It appears to have no access except

Islam in perspective

What the Qur'an teaches

*In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Beneficent
If they incline to peace, make peace with them, and put your trust in Allah. He alone hears all and knows all. Should they seek to deceive you, Allah is all-sufficient for you. He has made you strong with His help and rallied the faithful round you, making their hearts one. If you had given away all the riches of the earth, you could not have so united them: but Allah has united them. He is mighty and wise. Prophet, Allah is your strength and the faithful who follow you.*
(Spoils of War: 8: 62 - 6)

Dressing up in Prayers

Q. Which parts of his body must a man cover when he offers his prayers? Also, can one pass in front of a person while he prays?

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A. Most schools of thought agree that a man must wear a garment which at least covers his body from the waist down to his knees. The Maliki school of thought, however, while agreeing that a man just endeavours to cover this area of his body at all times, especially in prayers, consider that prayers are valid if a man covers only his private parts.

It is generally agreed that to pass in front of a person indulged in his prayers is prohibited. The area between the praying person in his standing position and the place where his head touches the floor as he prostrates himself should be avoided. We are asked to put a barrier of some sort in front of us when we pray, to indicate where people may pass, i.e. beyond the barrier. This applies everywhere. One must add, however, that if someone passes in front of you while you are praying, your prayer is valid. The offense is his, not yours.

Consent for Surgery

Q. I have been working as a nurse for the last two years in different parts of Arabia. I am greatly interested in the Islamic faith.

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perhaps on the back of a nimble donkey. That, and an unexpected and spectacular show of color, purple and red bougainvillea cascading over the walls, carnival bright against the barren rocks.

The road now enters the Wadi's lower reaches, its verdure softening after the flat brown and deserts rusts; the air alive with screaming Swallows and Crag martins, redolent with herbs, Acacia blossom and wild Hibiscus.

This wadi and the foothills beyond are perfect places to stop, picnic or explore. A new wadi is tucked away from the main valley bed, a granite ridge, containing date groves, lush green vegetation, 60 foot trees, an Acacia stand reminiscent of the Kenyan Serengeti and a mountain spring complete with frogs, fish and crimson dragon flies.

The soil is under intense cultivation, thanks to age old irrigation channels. Donkey engines thud away in the background and have succeeded the donkey in bringing water from wells. Crops include tomatoes, spring onions, marrows and even cauliflower. The farmers are friendly, particularly if greeted with an *Es Alaaam Aaleykum* and a handshake and will grant permission to cross their land.

On a recent visit and while trying to photograph some Weaver birds, one farmer did become extremely agitated, (and he had a silver-handled dagger stuck in his belt). He calmed down after being convinced camera tripod was not a theodolite and that engineers weren't planning to place a road across his fields.

The escarpment is a significant geological feature that runs the length of Saudi Arabia, dividing the Tihama (coastal plain) from the

especially those parts of it which have to do with patients.

The only question I have is why cannot women sign their own operative consents, or the consent for surgery on their children? Quite often there are no male relatives and surgery, or other procedures, have to be postponed because of the lack of a signature.

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Sadah - Yemen.

A. The problem you raise is one of organization, not legislation. As far as Islam is concerned, such consents should be given by the guardian. Normally the guardian is the father, an elder brother, or an uncle. A woman can be a guardian for her children in different circumstances. In such cases her consent is the one which is necessary and adequate to carry out surgery on her children. In normal situations a woman is under the guardianship of her husband or father who is responsible for her. It follows, from an organizational point of view, that her guardian should give his consent when she needs surgery. The Islamic point of view is that an adult woman can conduct her own affairs independently, signing for operations is undoubtedly within her power.

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Hejaz and Asir mountain ranges. It rises to a sheer height of over 2000 feet in places and is the home of vultures, grackles and baboons. Mists and torrential rain are not uncommon in the winter months and turbulent conditions can bring hail.

Another unfortunate aspect of the escarpment is that drivers will be too busy watching the road and traffic to have time to enjoy the view. The road is an impressive feat of civil engineering, a thrilling drive a twisting ear-popping climb, until the car swings around the final bend higher even than the wheeling vultures and the shiny-winged ravens.

There are car parking lots on both sides of the road which are ideal for picnics. For those who prefer a stylish lunch, just 10 minutes drive away there is a large, modern hotel that has an excellent buffet. Picnickers will soon note the chill mountain air, especially when in the shade or if it is overcast. But the views are breath taking, particularly on a clear winter morning. The warmer weather unfortunately tends to bring on a heat haze.

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The unhappy giant Part Three: Geraint meets the Wizard

By Alexandra J. Frith
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"Hello my friends!" said the Wizard. He turned to Geraint who was level with him. "Good day to you Geraint the Giant! Dooley has just told me why our dear friends, the Bumbles, have brought you to see me. Do you really need my help?"

Geraint looked at the Wizard, who seemed a likeable fellow, and said "If you think that you could help, I would like that. I am running away from the Gower because I am so ugly and everyone always seems to be running from me and calling me names. Can you make me handsome please?"

The Wizard looked Geraint full in the face and gazed into the most beautiful eyes that he had ever seen. He put his magic telescope to his eye and whispered:

"Magic telescope, tell me why Geraint the Giant gives a sigh? He's so unhappy with his face. It's a shame and such a waste. His eyes are kind, just like the sun. Let's make him happy, make him fun. Tell me secrets from your books

To help this giant forget his looks."

Well, Geraint waited with bated breath to see what would happen. Perhaps some flashing lights or a few loud bangs, but no, nothing.

Then the Wizard turned to face him and said "Geraint, I have the answer. Stay where you are and I will come down to you."

Geraint waited patiently with the Bumbles in the castle grounds. Soon the Wizard, complete with his magic telescope, appeared and immediately beckoned to Geraint with his finger to kneel down beside him. Geraint did as he was told and found himself with his chin on the ground while the Wizard pointed to a little flower growing all alone in the green grass, and on that solitary flower was a bee, humming away to himself.

The Wizard whispered in Geraint's ear "Keep very still and quiet, but, more importantly, watch."

Geraint again did as he was told and watched the little bee buzzing around the flower then, very gently, putting his head into the center of the flower to collect some pollen on his legs. Geraint noticed the happy look on the bee's face as he gaily buzzed off to a new flower.

The flower waved prettily in the breeze, its petals as soft as velvet. Geraint saw the beauty of the flower having given up some of her nectar to the bee so that it would make sweet and tasty honey.

Next, the Wizard pointed to a seagull swooping high over the turrets of the castle. "Look how he flies, not a care in the world. Diving and swooping, so graceful and beautiful, don't you think?"

Geraint had to agree, he did look so free and graceful, flying high. A slight smile spread across Geraint's face — it seemed a long time since he had smiled and stopped to look and wonder at the little things.

For so long he had been concerned about how ugly he thought he was, so wrapped up in his own problems, that he had forgotten so many other things, simple things, but ones that could bring so much pleasure.

The Wizard then pointed to the sea and whispered "Look at the waves. How white they are as they roll in to Oystermouth Bay!"

Geraint looked hard until he saw tiny little diamonds glistening on the top of the waves as they rolled in. Then he spotted the white seahorses riding the waves, so regal and white; it was a scene of pure magic to those looked hard enough to see.

Geraint's smile grew wider with happiness as the sun shone down on him and warmed him through.

"As Geraint turned to the Wizard smiling, the Wizard held up a yellow buttercup to the giant's chin.

"I want to know if you like butter," he said.

Geraint did not know quite what to say and, before he knew it, he heard the Wizard laughing.

"Yes, you do like butter! The reflection of the buttercup glowed very yellow under your chin."

Geraint was so happy and so pleased that he started to laugh too with true happiness. He laughed and laughed until tears of joy rolled down his face.

"Not again," said Dearly, as he dodged the big splashes down below.

"Yes," cried Lollipop. "But these are tears of happiness, not sadness and that's a good thing, Dearly."

"Quite right!" agreed Togger and he too started to laugh and soon they were all laughing and full of good feelings towards each other but, more so, they were very glad that Geraint the Giant seemed so happy. He looked so different — not at all so mournful looking.

Next Friday: Solving Geraint's problem

Traditional entertainment

Circus performances still a crowd pleaser

By Linda St. Thomas

WASHINGTON (SNS) — "I'm running away to join the circus" is a threat few parents will be hearing these days. The era of big top circuses, in their heyday in the 1920s, seems to be winding down. Last year, only three canvas big tops with seating capacities of 3,000 or more made their way from town to town: Carson & Barnes, Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus and Circus Vargas.

It's hard to make ends meet when the gasoline bill is \$735,000, when the big top rips and a new one costs more than \$80,000 and daily grocery purchases include 600 pounds of sweet feed, two tons of hay, 150 pounds of raw meat and 400 pounds of oats.

"Circus day was rural America's principal holiday for years," says Richard Flint, a Smithsonian specialist on American popular entertainment and president of the Circus Historical Society. "In the past few decades or so, the circus has taken a back seat to TV, movies and sports events. But that's not to say that people don't still enjoy a good circus."

Despite the financial problems, the circus still attracts the crowds. An estimated 2 million people went to the surviving circuses last year. (There are, however, no estimates on how many youngsters ran away to join one.)

For the past three years, Flint has brought popular big top and sideshow acts to the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C., giving visitors a chance to celebrate spring the way Americans have for the past 190 years — by

going to the circus. The circuses that survived television have had to adjust both to today's economy and to the tastes of sophisticated modern audiences. They have eliminated elaborate pre-circus morning parades, extended their seasons into early December and have even patched up their canopies to hold together for just one more year. America's largest circus, in fact, no longer even uses the traditional circus big top.

This season, circus-owner Cliff Vargas has announced several cost-cutting moves, including the elimination of seven trucks from his fleet as well as about 3,000 miles from the 1982 routes.

At the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus, 44-year-old owner John W. Pugh, is able to compare today's circus operation with those of the good old days when he did a little of everything himself — "working the elephants, walking wires, jumping on trampolines and doing electrical work."

He says the job of putting up and tearing down a circus at every stop is a logistical nightmare, yet a task that's a lot faster and easier these days than in the 1950s when he first traveled with an American circus.

Three times a week during the season, in shopping malls from Massachusetts to Florida, the Beatty-Cole canvas boss and his men are at work at daybreak. The crew drives metal spikes into the ground, following markings made the night before by the advance man. Four 55-foot-high center poles and 120 smaller poles are raised.

The very location of many tent circuses — in shopping mall parking lots — tells something about how they have adapted in order to attract the crowd. Time-honored circus traditions — muddy grounds and dust storms kicked up by prancing elephants — are gone now, replaced by the ubiquitous striped blacktop of parking lots.

The mall sites offer advantages, according to marketing specialist Dave Hunter at Beatty-Cole. There is a built-in audience accustomed to coming to the mall and enough level space to set up the 4,500-seat capacity tent, the sideshow and about 28 trucks. The mall owners and merchants are often happy to promote the show because circus-goers bring more business to their shops.

America's biggest circus, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, adapted to the changing times 26 years ago when it abandoned all outdoor big top performances because they

had become prohibitively expensive. "By the late '40s, the Ringling show was so cumbersome that it took 108 railroad cars to transport it from town to town," Flint says. "The big top was the length of one-and-a-half football fields; you couldn't even see from one end of the tent to the other. Figuratively, it just collapsed under its own weight."

"The greatest show on earth," as P.T. Barnum first called it in the 1870s, gave its last under-canopy performance July 16, 1956, in Pittsburgh. Today, Ringling's two shows, called the "red unit" and the "blue unit," use indoor arenas or civic centers. They offer several obvious advantages: no weather problems, permanent beams for aerial act riggings, air conditioning and, even more important to the owners, more seats to fill.

In New York City's Madison Square Garden, home of the Ringling Circus for three months every spring, more than 17,000 people may watch each performance. All in all, the "red" and "blue" units attract 8 million people a year in 80 cities.

Accommodating the Ringling circus was one objective urban planners have had in mind when they designed modern stadiums during the past 20 years. "Our requirements are fairly simple," Frank Roach, Ringling's assistant director of routing and tours, says. "A ceiling height of 45 feet, the floor dimensions of a hockey rink and floor inserts to support high wire riggings are all we need."

The indoor sites share one disadvantage: They're just not like the old-fashioned American circus. Dorey Miller, of the Carson & Barnes show, says.

"The traveling circus has lots of bustle and bustle, it's a 24-hour-a-day operation," Miller adds. "People still come to watch us set up every morning and sometimes I think that's as interesting, especially for the kids, as the show itself." Miller, a veteran of 46 years under the big top, takes his circus to a new town every single night from mid-March until late November, hitting some 250 towns per season.

Publicizing the circus, whether it's a big top or an indoor show, is always big business. Advertising handbills and posters have been around as long as the circus. Their message is always the same. "Come to our circus...it's always best."

Floyd King, circus owner and publicity agent for more than 60 years, described his own show, the King Brothers Circus, in typical breathless circus style:

"...the greatest exhibition of mammals, entertainment of any age or country...ever proclaimed the year's best holiday with all its wealth or new and mighty wonders gathered from every part of the world...a continuous, ever varying, always changing kaleidoscopic multiplicity of all star acts by all stellar artists, embracing a flood of foreign talent never before seen in America."

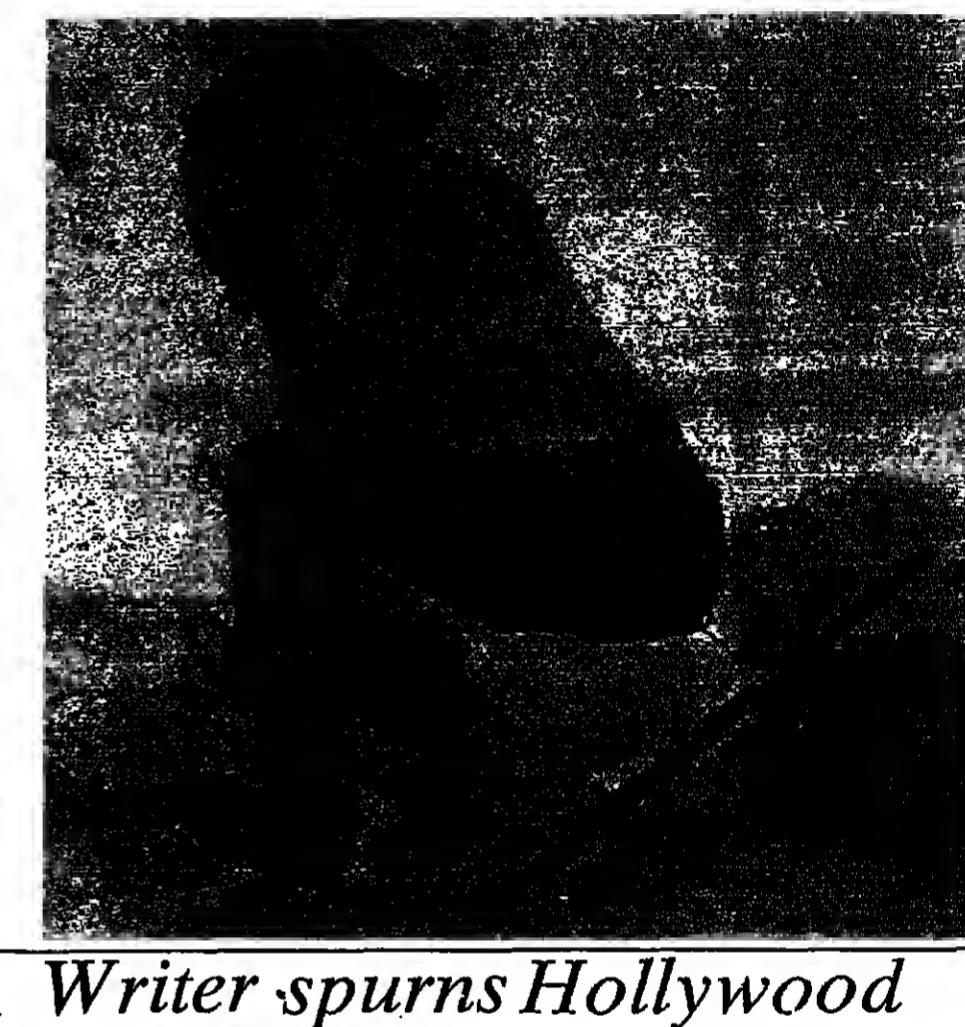
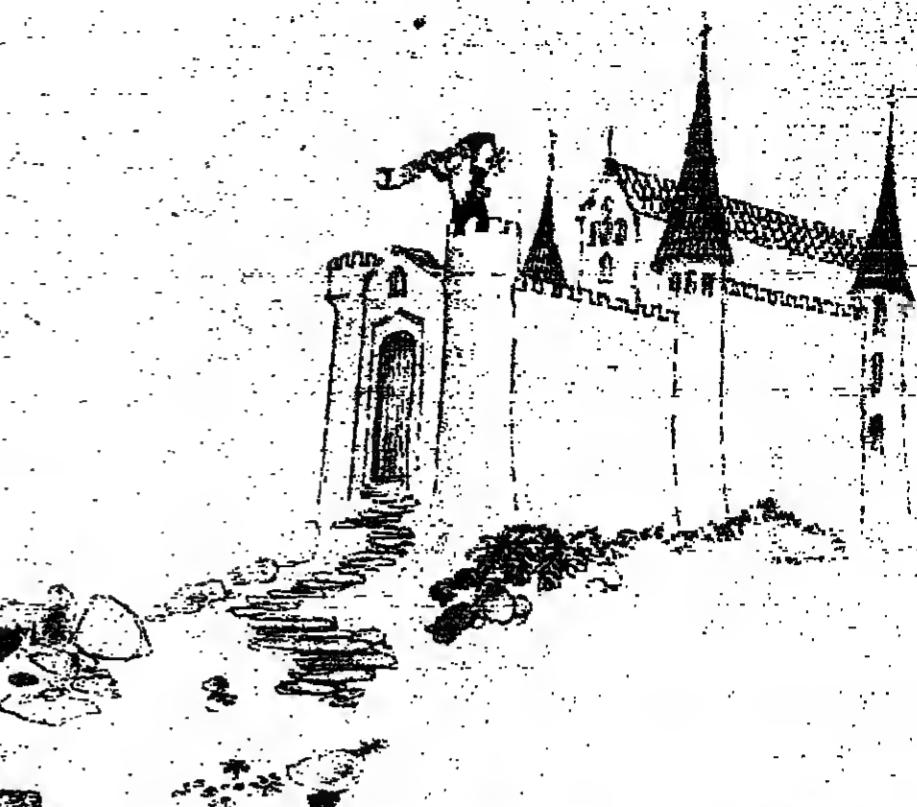
Once in the big steel cage in the center ring,

surrounded by a dozen or so unhappy cats, Hoover uses a technique called "bluffing it" that has been perfected by several generations of wild animal trainers.

"You can't let these animals know how strong they really are," he admits. "I shout their names, crack the whip — anything to keep their attention focused on something other than attacking me."

Hoover and Gunther Gebel-Williams at Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey are among the last trainers to try combinations of animals, including such natural enemies as lions, tigers, leopards and panthers, to make their acts more exciting — and their profession even more dangerous. That the cats are natural enemies comes in handy, according to Hoover, because they hate each other more than they hate him. But that's not foolproof, because he has been hospitalized 13 times for treatment of bites and, at last count, Gebel-Williams had had more than 300 stitches for injuries.

Surprisingly, training big cats isn't all that different from training a house cat, says Hoover, who recently collaborated on a book about domestic cat training. "They're all independent and even when they know their own names, they refuse to respond." His advice to cat owners: leash them, invent a system of rewards using the cat's favorite food and remember: Be patient.



Writer spurns Hollywood

By Geoffrey Matthews

BOGOTA (LOS) — What do you do if you are a best-selling novelist pursued by Anthony Quinn, Francis Ford Coppola and William Friedkin, all offering fantastic sums for the film rights to your works? Colombia's Gabriel Garcia Marquez simply says No, and explains: "I have seen many good films made from very bad books but never have I seen a good film made from a good novel."

Garcia Marquez, 53, does not write bad books. Novels like *One Hundred Years of Solitude* and *Nobody Writes to the Colonel* have put him strongly into the running for Nobel Prize for Literature.

The film — starring Quinn as the father — was made for U.S. television and then given worldwide cinema release. It was a disaster: filmed in Mexico but with English dialogue, it was pure soap opera, reducing to trivia and sentimentality one of the rare books by which readers in the developed world can gain an insight into the plight of the poor in the Third World.

After Quinn came Friedkin, director of *The Exorcist* and *The French Connection*. He wanted to bring *The Autumn of the Patriarch* to the screen. The two men got along well and Friedkin almost managed to persuade Garcia Marquez to strike a deal. The novelist was tempted, he admits, but finally balked.

Goodwill, equality wane in the Soviet Union

MOSCOW, (AP) — When Aeroflot tried to sell him an airline ticket dated Feb. 30, a Soviet workman pointed out that the month ended on the 28th. "No exceptions. Only the 30th," retorted the saleswoman. "It's not my worry if the date doesn't suit you. Who's next?"

A Russian woman got no sympathy from Soviet postal officials when she complained that a package of fruit took 25 days to reach her through the mail. "You can imagine what I got instead of Fruits," she wrote to a newspaper. Soviet socialism claims to promote goodwill and equality, but the ideal is far from being realized, judging by recent complaints from indignant customers of state enterprises.

Soviets are routinely turned away at Moscow's few quality restaurants, even when tables are empty, because they haven't written a letter asking for a reservation.

If they do get inside, diners sometimes wonder why they went to the trouble, only to endure limited menus, slow service, lukewarm food and ear-splitting rock music.

Soviet citizens have to waste time every day queuing for scarce goods and services and are often confronted with rudeness or indifference from sales personnel on reaching the front of the line.

Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev acknowledged the problem when he demanded improved public services in his 1980 speech outlining the new five-year plan.

"People go to shops, canteens, laundries and dry cleaners every day. What can they buy? How are they welcomed? How are

they spoken to? How much time do they have to spend doing various household chores? It is largely on the strength of how these problems are solved that people judge our work," he said.

Complaint books must be maintained at every Soviet business so that customers can cite instances of mistreatment, and employees can be docked wages if they are named too often in the ledgers.

But the books are often kept out of sight to discourage complaints, and some Soviet say customers face being blacklisted if they dare to report abuses in writing.

One big impediment to improving customer service may be the lack of independent consumer protection agencies that could bring meaningful pressure to bear against the state enterprises.

"Why does our economy work poorly? It's because we don't have competition. There's no real incentive to improve," said a Soviet citizen who belongs to the tiny privileged minority who have traveled in the West.

Manpower shortages are another reason. Soviet managers are reluctant to crack down on employees who insult customers or do sloppy work. Sales personnel or other workers who feel slighted by their bosses can quit and easily find another job.

Chronic shortages of food, quality clothing, appliances and luxury goods make shopping a frustrating experience. Many desirable items never make it to the shelves and are sold instead "out the backdoor" for bribes.

Circus life: Lounging lions, showy poodles

WASHINGTON (SNS) — Mary Ruth Herriott, equestrian, poodle trainer and former aerial ballet performer, has been a circus performer for 32 years, ever since she was 15 and spent a summer vacation doing exhibition horseback riding. Wild animal trainer Dave Hoover, with the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus for 16 years, got his start in the late '50s when he became a follower of the famous Clyde Beatty.

Herriott met her husband, John, right after high school when they were both with the King Bros. Circus, he as a horse trainer and she as a show girl doing "web" and swinging ladder acts. They were married in the center ring before 10,000 people, then driven away in a horse-drawn carriage under a shower of popcorn thrown by the clowns.

On a typical day during the circus season, which now extends from early March until late November, both Herriott and Hoover will feed and care for their animals, rehearse and perform in two shows, in addition to doing such routine domestic chores as cleaning their trailer homes and shopping for groceries.

There's little that's glamorous about the life of a performer. Herriott gets up by 8 a.m. to feed and exercise her 16 show poodles and four horses. After cleaning the animal areas, she eats breakfast and spends the morning

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A garden of delights

Herbs, flowers, natural substances will maintain the skin, complexion

By Betty Graham
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH — Many of the best skin care treatments come from healthful, natural ingredients. Of course, skin care should be all year round, it's essential for a good healthy glowing skin, but, come summer, and it becomes a must. If one wants to look and feel good, a little bit of effort and subtle changes can keep your looks in target with a healthy skin and a fresh glowing complexion. Anything from oatmeal to watermelon juice can be used on the skin.

In earlier days, products from natural substances were used to refresh the skin — herbs, flowers, olives, vegetables, fruits, seeds — so it is not surprising that today we benefit from these aids.

Citrus: Lemon juice is slightly acidic and works as a mild bleach, it bleaches the freckles too. A compress of lemon juice mixed with warm water is another antidote for dark circles under the eyes.

Grapefruit: If the skin on the hands are rough and maltreated, use a piece of the grapefruit skin. Rub the inner side of your hands and fingers each time you wash your hands. The white membrane contains a substance that works miracles in softening them.

Avocado: This fruit contains a large amount of natural fat and also has soothing qualities and a pleasant texture for use as a facial mask.

Egg White: This works as a skin tightener. For dry skin, make a mask by whipping an egg yolk and stirring in two tablespoons of olive oil, a drop at a time, until you have a creamy mixture. It removes facial lines when applied to the face. When dry rinse off with cool water.

Cream: It can do wonders for a chapped or irritated skin. An effective treatment for dry skin is to apply regular sweet cream, leave it on until dry, and then rinse thoroughly. It is soothing and luxurious because of its fat content.

Potato: If plagued with blackheads and spots, wash a potato thoroughly, cut it in half, and immediately rub it all over the face. The soothing starch of a fresh-cut slice of raw potato softens chopped hands, and will relieve eye irritations when placed on eyelids.

Components of a potato possess unusual and amazing healing properties for skin disorders.

Watermelon: To give the skin a pinkish glow, cut very thin slices of a watermelon's reddest section, put them all over the face and lie down for half an hour.

Cucumber: Cucumber juice will tighten the skin as it dries, if a fresh-cut slice is smoothed over the face. It also soothes the skin. It has emollient juices.

Oatmeal: When moistened with milk or water, oatmeal makes a terrific cleansing grain for troubled skin. Rub gently and rinse well. The "flour" left by the meal is soothing for the skin.

Water: Mineral water makes a healthful and refreshing skin tonic. Spray the face with a mixture, filled with mineral water, and pat dry. It is also a refreshing spritz for face. Ice water is a quick relief for sunburn or other burns.

Buttermilk: It is claimed to be one of the complexion aids, whether you put it on your face or drink it!

Oil: Rub pure olive oil over the skin at least a week for a soft and dewy complexion. Can be used on skin as a softener after a tan or exposure to sun and as a hot oil treatment on hair. (Warm the oil, apply to the hair and scalp and wrap head in warm towels for 10 minutes before shampooing.)

Baking Soda: Can be used to soften water and relieve mild sunburn. A paste of plain baking soda and water will soften rough elbows and heels.

Vegetable oil: Warm vegetable oil can be used as a hand and foot softener. It can also be used as a base for a fragrant bath oil.

Honey: Combine equal parts of honey and oatmeal for a deep cleansing scrub. Massage this mixture into the face and neck to cleanse and stimulate the skin. Later remove with warm water.

Milk: Dissolve one-half cup of dry milk or a cup of fluid milk in a warm bath and enjoy the luxurious soothing effect on the skin.

Herbs can be used in a variety of ways to soften, cleanse or soothe the skin.

Rosemary and sweet basil: When two parts rosemary to one part sweet basil are mixed together they form a delightful fragrance on the skin. For extra fragrance herbs or flowers can be directly rubbed on the skin before or after the bath.

Parsley: When chopped parsley is added in boiling water and later cooled it forms a solution which is used to clean and clear the skin and improve the complexion.

MWA: The Muslim Women's Association (MWA) sponsored the event to raise funds. Founded in 1960, the MWA serves as a forum to bring Muslim women together to study each other's culture.

MWA also raises money for Islamic countries in need or various Muslim organizations in the United States. In the past, the association has given money to flood victims in Bangladesh, orphans of war-torn Lebanon, and the refugees in Somalia. The Islamic Center in Maryland has also received donations.

Washington Design Group arranged the technical aspects of the show including the stage, lighting, and music. "We have done fashion shows before," said Kasrawi, "but never as professional as this one."

The MWA hopes to do the fashion show again for an audience from the general public. "I don't think Americans know how we

A symphony of color

Gowns, traditional dress presented in Washington Islamic costume show

By Catherine Raia
Washington Bureau

"I didn't think it would take so much to arrange the fashion show," said Muazaz Kasrawi, wife of a Jordanian diplomat and chairwoman of the show. Dresses had to be collected from many countries from Morocco to Malaysia. Many dresses came from ambassador's wives as well as private citizens.

A special door prize — a roundtrip ticket to Jordan — compliments of ALIA, the Royal Jordanian Airlines — was also arranged to be given to the winning ticket holder in the audience.

Washington's high society — wives of ambassadors and government officials — dominated the gathering. The honorary chairwoman of the event was Mrs. John R. Block, the wife of the U.S. secretary of agriculture.

Kasrawi pointed out that the beauty of the costumes "is not an adaption of anything but our own art, our own culture." For example, she said, the Palestinian dress — which received the greatest round of applause — is designed so that its intricate embroidery can be detached and sewn to a new dress when the old one becomes worn.

The actual material value of these dresses is difficult to determine. Many of them have 14K gold threads in their bright colored fabrics. Kasrawi said the contemporary gowns could cost \$5,000.

More valuable are the antique dresses kept in a single family for generations. These family heirlooms cannot be bought.

Food not the only problem

Behavior decides diet success, failure

Katharine Whitehorn

yes? But the British royal family eat more grand lunches than almost anyone alive, and they don't get any bigger.

His plans for modifying our behavior start with making us more aware of when we are eating — we should always sit down to it, for example, and he urges people to keep an honest diary of everything that goes into their mouths; and nothing should when we're standing up.

He wants us to eat slower, and never to feel that because of one bit of backsliding, it's no use trying to cut down again that day.

He doesn't realize, all the same, why we do feel like this — or why making a dainty, appetizing meal out of our low-calorie intake isn't always the answer: during the first few days of a diet we often positively want it to taste awful.

We do it because we have mixed dieting up with morality to such an appalling extent: so we feel we are already disgraced if we've eaten a bag of chips, and we often gobble a delicious forbidden morsel in the subconscious belief that if we don't really enjoy it, it won't make us really fat. (There are girls who avoid the bulge of pregnancy — they think — by much the same method.)

To round off his book, Spira asked a lot of well-known people what they did to get thinner. Nothing, said Cyril Smith, Britain's fatness politician. Fatness is his gimmick — it's said that if he went on hunger strike the doc-

tors would only get worried after the 17th year.

Grabs a nice non-fattening man instead of food, says romantic novelist Jilly Cooper. Bobby Moore, the footballer, has either breakfast or lunch, never both; and actor Dudley Moore goes right ahead and eats the bit of chocolate he longs for — because if he eats a lot of low-calorie foods, he'll still eat the chocolate as well.

Spira quotes me as being the epitome of the approach he approves: because I try to fix hair appointments over the lunch hour, meet people in their offices, and once threw a packet of biscuits out of a train window when I recognized that I'd wolf the lot if I didn't.

"Avoiding the occasion of offense," is the essence of the approach; and in one view what Harry Truman (a thin man) really said was, "If you can't stand to eat, you'd better stay out of the kitchen."

Designer makes sweat-shirts presentable

By Jennifer Seder

NEW YORK (LAT) — Upset about the rising cost of designer clothes? Lloyd Allen has a comforting suggestion. "Get out all your rumpled sweatshirts, pants, whatever — and make them presentable. Sweatshirt fabric will be the denim of the '80s, and like jeans, you'll be able to wear it anytime, any place."

Allen, a Texas jazz musician sees the coming of the sweat-shirt generation. His first sportswear collection, called "Metrics," consists of one-size-fits-all ponchos, tunics, clam-diggers and dresses, all made of sweat-shirt fabric. Even the hats, belts and bib treatments are of sweat-shirt fabric.

"What I'm aiming at is this: buying clothes will or should be like buying shoes," says Allen. When you find a style that you like, buy it in a few colors and forget about it."

Allen credits designer Norma Kamali with having started the sweat-shirt dressing craze. "She proved that sweat-shirt fabric could be styled to look like silk or any other type of dressy fabric."

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Often educational

Nurseries end child-care problems

By Estela Carreon

HONG KONG (Depthnews) — Child-minding has been a common and long-standing problem of working mothers everywhere. In the developing countries, notably in Asia, these women depend heavily on help, elderly relatives or even older children in the family. In Eastern Europe, the care of small children while one works has not been left largely to individual enterprise.

A study by the International Labor Office on work and family life in European socialist countries revealed that child-minding establishments have increased in recent years. Thus, leaving a small child in one of those establishments has become part of the lifestyle of many parents. The study covered Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland and the USSR.

From less than 1,000 places in 1945, Hungary's network of nurseries grew to 30,000 places in 1960 and nearly 47,000 in 1974. Czechoslovakia's 41,307 nursery places in 1960 became 71,013 in 1975 while Poland had over 51,509 places in 1960 which increased to 81,116 in 1975. Similarly, the USSR's estimated 70,600 pre-school establishments in 1960 had grown to over 120,000 in 1977.

In addition to the nurseries which cater to infants and up to two or three-year-old-tots, these countries also have kindergartens for older children of pre-school age. Since 1960, however, the USSR has been combining nursery and kindergarten facilities for an integrated approach to pre-schooling.

Even parents whose children are of school age are benefitted, according to the study. "There are centers or other facilities for supervised study where children can spend part of their free time and for organized activities during school holidays," it said. In Poland, railway stations have centers for schoolchildren who commute by train.

These establishments usually form part of state services for education and health, but may also be an undertaking of the place of work or financed by trade unions and private contributions, including parents' donations. In Poland, agricultural cooperatives and rural social organizations help support education centers in the villages.

Day nurseries are open in conformity with the needs of parents, said the ILO study. Weekly boarding nurseries, as in East Germany, are also open five or six days a week and cater especially to single parents and to mothers on shiftwork.

Kids are kids, so free them from your expectations

By Y. Tahir

JEDDAH — As soon as I had settled down in a chair, their four year old was paraded through the sitting room to the beaming delight of the parents. "Come here, sonny, say hello to uncle." He came and greeted me as he was told, very correctly.

Oh, one of those perfect, little, young gentlemen undergoing a course of hard training in many humors, I thought. I braced myself up for the inevitable nursery rhyming session. And sure enough, it wasn't long in coming.

"He remembers so many nursery rhymes that you can't believe it!" was the proud introduction. "Well, I don't." I couldn't be more frank. "He is a 'naughty child,'" said the father. "Yes, but he is very intelligent too," the mother continued. I could'nt but make the time-honored comment, which experience has proved to be most pleasing to the ears of the parents, "Of course, all intelligent kids are naughty."

"Sweetie, uncle wants to hear Twinkle, Twinkle," said his mother who chose to decide what I wanted to hear. I had no choice but to encourage the serious looking young man, who looked far from being naughty to me.

"Twinkle, twinkle little star... what else?"

"Getting the hint, the child started at once.

"Twinkle, twinkle, little star," and stopped as abruptly. "More, please!" his father said, obviously not very pleased with the performance.

The child seemed to be genuinely straining to recall the next lines but failed, so he ended up by repeating the same line again.

"Oh, no, not this one, the next line." The mounting pressure only helped to confuse his little mind more and he was left with no option by his goading parents but to speak the language of silence. Finally, his release and my relief were granted when he was dismissed with these words, "Well, he's very naughty. He isn't in the mood now!" "Yes, but he is very intelligent," interjected his father.

This pathéotic scene was typical of countless other households where the small children become the victims of the high expectations of their rather ambitious parents. Little do they realize the terrible strain to which they subject their young, impressionable minds. In trying to prove that their children are very intelligent, they force the kids to memorize many nursery rhymes and to stuff their minds with the knowledge that is far above their age or their mental grasp. Like modern "remote-control" toys, the kids are expected to waffle out as soon as they receive the signal to do so.

Most parents, not only believe but say it openly that their child is nothing short of being an outright genius. "Well.. . . if not a genius, he is, far, far above the average child. Their likes and dislikes are sincere and from the heart; their comments are equally frank and honest."

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Why do so many people think like this? Because the fact of being the parents of highly intelligent children contributes to their own glory, in some unexplainable manner.

One is forced to wonder if all these kids are as intelligent as they are supposed to be, where do all those average, mediocre people come from?

We, the parents, normally make the mistake of trying to force the kids to live up to the reputation we've built for them. This puts them in a completely unnecessary stress-situation, and adversely affects the healthy growth and development of their minds and bodies.

Attempts to mold the kids as if they were grown ups and forcing them to behave accordingly often results in shaping nervous, anxiety-ridden young men whose confidence in themselves has been shattered.

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what they have heard. But before losing our temper, we should realize that we ourselves are responsible for this situation. The best training and upbringing of the kids is to always do or say the correct thing, not only in the presence of the kids but even when they are away, because the children possess the unfortunate ability to see through any deception or lies.

Children are healthy and robust by nature, and they behave like themselves if they are not subjected to the misguided and misapplied rigid discipline at home. Their childlike curiosity and observations are free from any mincing of words. They mean what they say. This can be quite amusing.

Once the father of a particularly naughty child solemnly warned him not to say anything about a friend's nose. When the friend visited, child started laughing. His father asked him the reason, he replied, "Papa! You told me not to say anything about the nose of uncle, but he has no nose worth speaking about!"

We, as parents, must realize that the children have enough to learn and worry about at school. Parents can do a positive service if they pay attention to the moral education, instead of confusing their delicate minds with knowledge that doesn't concern them. Nothing can prove better for the healthy development of their souls and bodies, than to free them from the false and high expectations nursed by many of the parents.

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GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

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CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You'll make a favorable impression on higher-ups. Watch extravagance and keep security goals in mind. Charm brings results.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

A close friend may not keep promises, but affection still

comes your way. Loved ones will enjoy extra-special closeness now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

It's unlike you, but you may overlook important details related to your job. Mixing business and pleasure proves beneficial.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Carefree moments are yours today. Avoid a tendency to waste money, but do enjoy happy times with loved ones after work.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

You tend to let domestic duties slide now, and your judgment may be off regarding a purchase. Still, home affairs are favored.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

A moment of embarrassment could come early in the day. Don't promise more than you can deliver. Creativity and romance are accented.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

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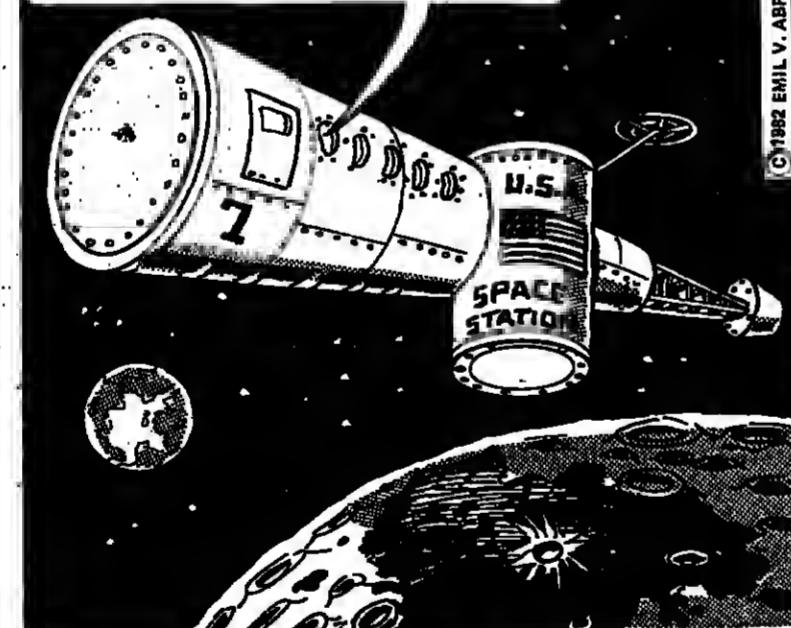
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TV Programs

SAUDI ARABIA

FRIDAY

6:30 Opening

— Quran

— The Friday Cermon

— Children's Series

— Arabic Program

— Religious Program

— Friday Prayer Live

— Local Programs

— Men and Stories

— Religious Talk

— Weekly World News

— Selected Items

— Children's Program

— Curious

— Wild Life

— Religious Talk

— N.Y. English News

— Arabic News

— Daily Arabic Series

— Brief Folklore Program

— Brief Comedy

— Songs

Bahrain Channel 4

4:00 Quran

— Religious Talk

4:20 Arabic Preview

4:25 Curious

4:40 Big Food and the

Wide Boys

5:00 Sixter

6:00 Arabic Program

6:20 Daily Arabic Series

6:35 Arabic News

6:35 The Tomorrow's Program

6:35 Arabic Arabic Series

11:30 King Fu

Bahrain Channel 55

6:00 Quran

— Religious Talk

6:30 Our Green Land

7:00 Religious Talk

7:30 Local News

8:35 The Quran Explained

9:00 Arabic Drama

10:30 Light in Incidents

11:00 King Fu

DUBAI Channel 33

2:00 Holy Quran

3:15 Cartoons

5:45 Children's Film

4:40 Little House on the

Parcay

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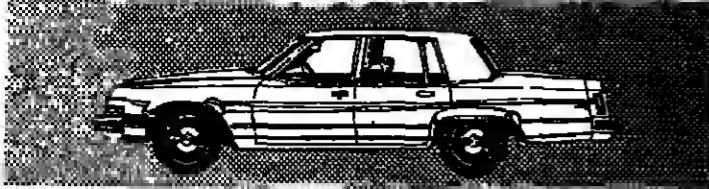
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Riot police disperse Polish protest rally

WARSAW, May 13 (Agencies) — Thousands of Poles screaming "Free Lech Wałęsa" and "Solidarnosc" jammed Warsaw's biggest intersection for 20 minutes Thursday in a huge anti-martial law protest before riot police moved in. Police in helmets and carrying shields swept the streets and sidewalks of people who either ran or moved away quickly and the protest ended without violence.

Solidarity's underground leaders had called for a one-minute traffic jam and horn-honking protest and a 15-minute strike in factories beginning at noon which went

largely ignored in other sections of the city. But a huge crowd estimated at about 5,000 persons appeared suddenly just after noon at the intersection of Marszałkowska Street and Jerozolimskie Avenue, the site of a 50-hour bus, truck and street car blockade during last year's hunger protests.

Some workers at the Ursus tractor factory on the outskirts of Warsaw said work stopped briefly in one department, but that production of tractors continued during the 15-minute period that was to start at noon. "Don't think that we are afraid," one worker said. "We intend to fight for restoration of our union, but by legal means."

Ursus was the site of rioting during food price protests in 1976 and was the stronghold of fugitive Solidarity leader Zbigniew Bujak who has escaped internment and made for the call for the strike over "Radio Solidarity" Sunday.

Some observers said that failure to make a big protest Thursday could spell the end for Solidarity which has yet to be revived by the authorities. But others said the union was seeking to change its tactics and that hardliners favoring confrontation were losing out to moderates.

Truckloads of riot police poured into the area as car horns blared and people chanted the name of Solidarity union chief Lech Wałęsa who, like thousands of other unionists, has been interned since the start of martial law.

They flashed victory signs with their fingers and chanted anti-government slogans for about 20 minutes before police moved in, sweeping the streets of people in squads of 20 but without using batons.

After the crowd dispersed about 40 police trucks laden with riot troops watched the area from the giant parade plaza outside the nearby Palace of Culture built by the Soviets in the 1950s.

Solidarity, the now-suspended trade union formed during August 1980 Gdańsk shipyard strikes, mounted a spectacular vehicle protest at the intersection last August during a nationwide campaign of hunger marches and protests.

Elsewhere in the city, traffic moved normally and quietly at several large intersections including Constitution Square where five streets converge. People continued to walk despite union calls for a stop to all vehicle and foot traffic.

People shouted "Gestapo" at the police who responded by saying "go home" while forcing the people to move, officers also seized films from photographers and even took a Polish television crew away to a truck.

Two religious celebrations with strong political overtones passed off without trouble Wednesday.

International

Research scientists report

Venus study holds arid fate for earth

ANN ARBOR, Michigan, May 13 (AP) —

The disappearance of an ocean which once may have covered the planet Venus could suggest that earth faces the same arid fate, a team of research scientists reports.

An ocean up to 1½ miles deep may have dried up on Venus because of what is called the green house effect, where solar heat is trapped in the atmosphere, Thomas M. Donahue, a University of Michigan professor of atmospheric and oceanic science, and his colleagues said in the May 7 issue of *Science Magazine*.

"Then, water and carbon dioxide would have prevented heat from escaping the planet, causing it to grow still warmer" until the cycle caused a "runaway greenhouse catastrophe and the consequent production

of a hot, dense carbon dioxide atmosphere," the researchers wrote.

"If Venus lost an ocean several billion years ago, could some form of life which might have developed earlier on that planet have been lost?" asked Donahue, chairman-elect of the National Academy of Science's Space Science Board, which advises the National Aeronautics and Space Administration on space exploration.

"Could earth be heading toward the same fate, becoming like today's Venus, which has long been thought to be nearly earth's identical twin when the planets were formed?"

The two planets evolved differently, but Donahue said researchers think man inadvertently could trigger a runaway greenhouse

use effect that could lead earth to a fate similar to that of the second planet from the sun.

"We could increase significantly the amount of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere by burning fossil fuels, by removing tropical forests and possibly by massive destruction of a portion of the biosphere (earth's plant life) in a nuclear war."

Donahue was joined in reporting the findings by three other scientists — John H. Hoffman and Richard R. Hodges Jr. of the University of Texas at Dallas and Andrew J. Watson of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom — after they re-examined measurements made by a malfunctioning instrument aboard the U.S. *Pioneer* space probe that studied Venus.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al-Khazeer

The best thing in life is of course to win. But have you considered the problem philosophically? (Ah, you have. And you know what I'm going to say next. Well, sir, I am the writer of this column, so I'll have my say. Trained to do it, you see. So you just sit back and sip at your third cup of coffee while I tell you.)

Philosophically, the indisputable maxim is that losing is embedded in winning. It's what winning carries in its very heart. It's what germinates and grows within that heart and soon gobbles it up. And where's your victory then? Now the philosophers have their own way of demonstrating this. And as you'd expect, nobody understands the demonstration except other philosophers. So we take our own way toward that very end, talking of concrete instances.

Take that young fellow there, standing around moodily, not knowing which way to turn. He had a plan to win at something, namely, the presidency of his school literary society. He did win, by a slim margin. And now instead of the chap liked by all, he has a total of 49.9 percent of the members who didn't vote for him swearing he's a crook as well as an ignoramus when it comes to literature. (The 50.1 percent who voted for him think he's grown too bigheaded and wasn't it time to call for new elections.)

The headmaster had already approached him. From now on, he said, I'll be watching you like a hawk. Your position is now such that you have to set an example for all; So one mistake, one homework left undone, one class cut, and you're in for it.

Also, your grades. Anything less than an A plus and I'll throw the book at you. And that's why the chap goes around now looking like death warmed up. He can't sleep, can't eat, has to overwork himself, and knows in his heart of hearts that everyone has turned against him ... And that's what winning does to you.

Translated from *Asharq Al-Awsat*

Phone caller shot

MARSEILLES, May 13 (AFP) — A quarrel over a telephone conversation in a public call box, deemed to have lasted too long ended in murder here.

Jean-Paul Gestin, 30, waiting to make a call, objected to the length of time two other men spent on the telephone chatting to the girlfriend of one of them, police said. One of the men became angry, rushed to a small van parked nearby and took out a shotgun, they added. Gestin died instantly when hit in the head by one of two bullets fired.

The two men fled in the van, police said, but eyewitnesses took its number and the owner was traced. According to police, the owner, 35-year-old Murad Zerruki, had confessed to the shooting.

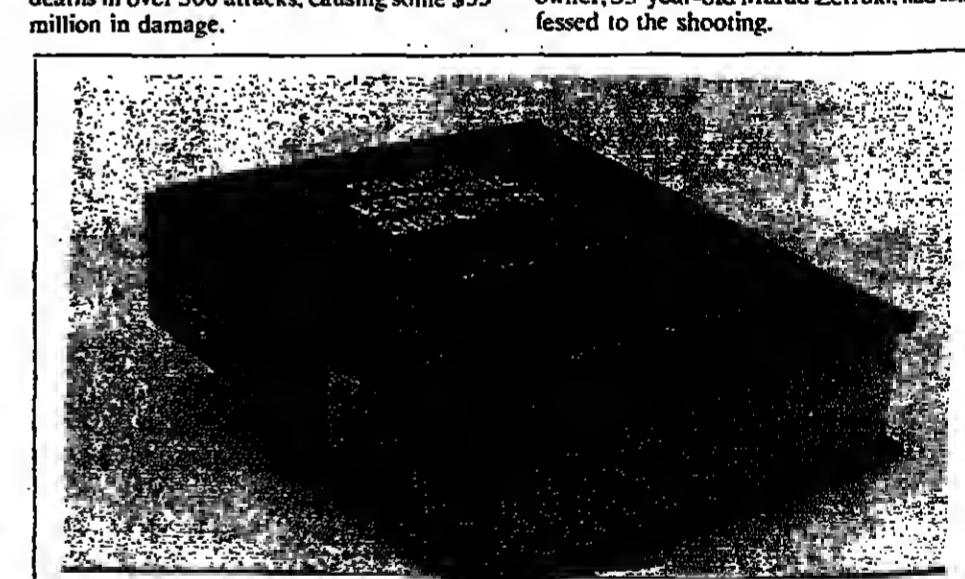
Explosion kills two in Spain

PAMPLONA, Spain, May 13 (AFP) —

Two persons were killed Thursday when 1.4 kilos of explosives they were carrying in their car blew up 1,000 meters from a power plant belonging to the Iberduero company at Tafalla, just south of here, the Spanish Guardia Civil reported.

The Basque separatist ETA-Military movement has been waging an open war against the company, which is building a nuclear plant in Lemona, near the Basque city of Bilbao.

The Guardia Civil said the explosive was of a type known as "goma-dos", generally used by ETA in its five-year-old campaign against the nuclear plant which has so far caused one death in over 300 attacks, causing some \$33 million in damage.



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